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This volume of the Archives is now ready for distribution. The attention of members of the Society who do not now receive the Archives is called to the liberal provision made by the Legislature, which permits the Society to furnish to its own members copies of the volumes, as they are published from year to year, at the mere cost of paper, presswork, and binding. This cost is at present fixed at one dollar, at which price members of the Society may obtain one copy of each volume published. For additional copies, a price of three dollars is charged.

This volume carries on the legislative records of the Province for three years of petty bickering and faultfinding between the Governor and the representatives of the people. In 1745, several popular bills were vetoed by Governor Bladen who had lost his hold upon the Assembly and, forgetting his dignity, scolded the Delegates. On their part, they were fussily insistent upon their privileges. The main object of summoning the new Assembly in 1745 was to secure an appropriation for the garrison at Louisbourg on Cape Breton Island—a fortress recently brilliantly captured by the New England provincial troops and the British fleet. The Lower House tacked on to a bill for this purpose a provision for a Provincial Agent in London. The Upper House denounced this tacking and, as the Lower House refused to recede from its position, the bill failed. The proceedings as to three contested elections are of interest, and a large number of yea and nay votes are recorded, which afford a method of ascertaining that the Eastern Shore and Annapolis generally belonged to the Proprietary Party, while Southern Maryland was Anti-Proprietary. In March, 1745/6, another new Assembly met, summoned because of the Jacobite Rebellion in England and of the fear that the Iroquois might shift their alliance to the French, but nothing was done.

The Assembly again met in June, 1746 and failed to pass bills for the purchase of arms and ammunition, for the regulation of officer's fees, and for the administration of bankrupt's affairs, owing to dissension. Ordinaries were directed to be taxed to provide funds to carry on the war in Canada. In November a brief session passed a law for the purchase of provisions for the troops raised in the Province. Governor Samuel Ogle returned to Maryland and, succeeding Bladen as governor, met with the Assembly in May 1747. A long session of nearly two months resulted in the passage of twenty-eight acts, some of which were of very considerable importance: such as an assize law for trial of matters of fact in the county where they may arise and a tobacco inspection law, which was included in a measure for the regulation of official fees. A tax was also laid on tobacco exported so as to purchase arms and ammunition and another tax for the use of the Governor. The sale of strong liquors, the running of horse races and the tumultuous concourse of negroes during the Quaker Yearly Meetings on West and Tred Avon Rivers were forbidden. A two day session in December 1747, was fruitless, as the Delegates refused to make an appropriation for the war. At each session, the question of setting apart the western part of the Province as Frederick County came up, but was not yet settled.

A brief appendix contains, among other documents, a petition from Elkridge, showing how little men had a vision of Baltimore Town's growth, and a quasi passport to four Germans wishing to return to Europe for a visit.

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CALVERT AND DARNALL GLEANINGS FROM ENGLISH WILLS.

MRS. RUSSEL HASTINGS.

(Continued from Vol. XXII, p. 138.)

In concluding this series of wills bearing upon the Hertfordshire cousins of Cecilius Calvert, founder of Maryland, it is worthy of note that there has been but one mention of the Calverts and that single reference was in the days before Sir George's conversion to Catholicism. It is to be hoped however that many clues to the ancestries of Maryland and Virginia families lie hidden in these delightful old documents. The will of John Bristow corrects an old error as to the parentage of Robert Bristow of Virginia, and may quite possibly point the way to further discoveries about the American Bristows. In the next issue of the *Magazine* it is intended to present some hitherto unpublished Calvert wills, which will bring this genealogical adventure to a close.

The Will of NICHOLAS BRISTOWE¹ of Ayot St. Lawrence, Hertfordshire, dated 10 July, 1584.

¹ Nicholas Bristowe, founder of the Hertfordshire family unto which Ann Darnall and Robert Mynn married, was Clerk of the Jewels to Henry VIII and succeeding sovereigns. Although abundant materials exist for a history of his colorful career, nothing of the sort seems ever to have been attempted. He doubtless sprang from a Surrey family of some distinction, but his sudden rise to power has not been explained.

"In the name of God amen: The tenth day of July in the yeare of our Lorde god A thowsande fyve hundreth fourescore and fowre: I NICHOLAS BRISTOWE thelder of Lawrence Ayott in the Countie of Hertf' esquier beinge of good and perfecte remembraunce thanckes be to allmightie god) Neverthles dailye havinge in my memorye the sodden calling of all Creatures by Christ our Lorde determyne therefore to putt all thinges oute of question ambiguity and doubte, make ordeyne and declare this my present perfect and indubitate will and testamente in manner and fourme followinge, that ys to saie, ffirst and principally I committ my soule to allmighty god my maker and redeamer In whome is my whole trust to be saved, my bodye to be buried in my Chappell wth in the p'ishe churchc of Lawrence Ayott. Item I bequeathe to thuse of the reparacions of the same churchc sixe shillinges eight pence, at whiche

He married Luce, dau. of Robert Barley of Bibbesworth Hall, Kimpton Parish, Herts, and d. at Edward Parke's house in Gutter Lane, London, 19 July, 1584 and was taken to the country to be buried in his chapel of the Church of Ayott St. Lawrence, Herts. The Chapel has long been in ruins but some of the armorial windows were removed to the rectory where they still exist, in all probability. Salmon's *Herts*, p. 206, has an interesting description of the old family memorials, written before the destruction of the Chapel.

The children of Nicholas and Luce (elsewhere called Emme) Bristowe were; (1) Nicholas, who m. Margaret, dau. of Sir John Boteler and Grizel Roche, and d. 4 Sept., 1616, leaving issue; (2) Robert who m. Mary ——— and is perhaps the Robert whose will is here given; (3) William who m. Agnes Battelle and d. 17 Apr., 1599 having had issue, Luce, Martha, and Margaret; (4) Thomas who m. Elizabeth ——— and had sons Thomas and Anthony; (5) Mary who m. Willian Hide bro. of Mary, Lady Cary of Hunsden, by whom she had Nicholas and Ann Hide. Mary is said to have married Leonard Hide as her second husband, and he is probably the person so severely spoken of by her father in his will; (6) Elizabeth; (7) Grizel (*Letters and Papers of Henry VIII*, passim; Clutterbuck, *Herts*, Vol. I, p. 519, Vol. II, p. 254; Chauncey, *Herts*, Vol. II, p. 42; *Register of St. Vedast, London*, Harleian, Vol. II, p. 135; *Vict. Herts*, Vol. III, p. 31; *Herts, Gen and Antiquarian*, passim; *V. of Herts*, Harleian, p. 130; *V. of Essex*, Harleian, Part I, p. 385; *Misc. Gen. et Herald.*, Series II, Vol. 4, p. 257; Cussan, *Herts*, Vol. I, Odsey Section, p. 152; Vol. II, Sect. III, p. 236; *Vict. Surrey*, Vol. III, pp. 175, 211 and all other Surrey literature for the Bristowes).

daie of my buriall my will is that there shalbe distributed and given to the poore some money by the discession of my wife. Item my minde and will is that LUCE my wife shall have her dwellinge in my Manno'r house of Ayott duringe her naturall liefie with the patronage of the p'sonage there with thuse occupacion proffitt & com'odities of all manner of howsinges easementes, orchardes, garden courtes, barnes, stables and other manner of thinges belonginge to the same with all the demaynes thereto belonginge that shalbe the daie of my deathe in my owne handes and occupacioñ in the p'ish of Ayott with all rentes therevnto belonginge And also all my wood called Priorswood vppon condicon that she shall suffer my sonne NICHOLAS to have his dwellinge in my Mannor howse of Litle Bibbesworth with all the Landes thereto belonging and Priorswood closes, Cowles feild and Nabottsey closes even as the Lane leadeth from Nabotsey gate vnto a gate called Dowsett and Lawrence gate (excepte suche Landes as are nowe in my owne occupacon) payinge yearely to my saide wife a red rose onn mydsomer daye yf yt be asked, And yf yt shall be my saide wyves pleasure to dwell in my sayde Mannor howse of Bibbesworth and not at Ayott as aforesaid Then my mynde ys that then she shall have thuse, proffitt and commoditie of the same my saide Mannour with all the demaynes thereto belonging with orchardes and gardens together with all my woode called Priorswood and all the woodes, Rentes, Reu'cions and Profittes withe thappurtenaunces to the same Mannor in any wise belonginge or appertayninge. And alsoe all Priorswood closes, cooles feildes and Nabutsey closes with the woodes therevppon growinge and with their appurtenaunces, To have and to houlde the same to LUCE my saide wyffe duringe her naturall lyfe wth out ympeachm't of wast payinge onely the Lordes rent by yeare six shillings. Item I doe give to my sayde wieff my Capitall messuage called Cannons withe all the demeynes thereto belonginge with woodes and vnderwoodes and my appropriacon and p'sonage of Kympton with all p'ffittes and appurtenaunces thereto belonginge and also a pencōn of

Thirtie three shillinges fower pence yeareley goinge oute of the Vicaredge of Kimpton to the late Priory of Hertf'dissolued [sic] To have and to houlde all the same to the saide LUCE my wiefe duringe her naturall lyfe wth out ympeachment of waste. Item I doe gyve and bequeathe to NICHOLAS BRISTOWE eldest sonne of my eldest sonne and heire NICHOLAS BRISTOWE all that my Manno'r of litle Bibbesworh with orchardes and gardens together with all manner of rentes revercofis and services meadowes leasures & pastures woodes and vnderwoodes and alsoe as muche of my wood called Priorswood as is wth oute my pale there, To have and to hould the same after the deathe of my saide wiefe to the saide NICHOLAS BRISTOWE the younger and his heires for eu'; And whereas my daughter HIDE ys married with an lewde and an evilldisposed man soe that she and her poore childrenn are wthout lyvinge or reliefe; In consideracon whereof towardes her comfort she shall have to her vse and her children duringe her liefie my chamber called the Nursery in my Mannor house of Ayott there and there to have their meate and drincke francke and free in as large mann' as they have had the same in my tyme with francke and free egresse and regresse to and from the same at all howres and tymes without denyall of anny p'son or p'sonnes, And alsoe shee to have yearly tenne Carte Loades of woode to be taken vppon the demaines of Ayott and carried to her by suche p'son as shall dwell in my sayde Manno'r howse of Ayott and to have yearly twoe quarters of good fyne cleane wheate, twoe quarters of maulte and a quarter of Oaets all to be deliv'ed at her pleasure with the grasinge and fotheringe at the Rackes of twoe Kyne and feedinge of Twelve Ewes with their Lambes vppon the saide demaines of the saide Lordshippe wthout denyall of any person or persons. Item whereas I have given by pattent an Annuytye to my Sonne ROBERT and MARYE his wife of Twentye poundes a yeare duringe their lyves and the longest lyver of them out of my Manno'r of Ayott, Tenne poundes thereof to ceasse and noe longer to be payed but during my saide wiefes

lyefe, as maie appeare by a Covenant made in an Indenture of Lease made to them of my ffarme called Cannons dated the Eighte and twentieth daye of Maye in the Nynetenth yeare of Queene Elizabeth Raigne, The same Twentye poundes to be paide yearely out of my p'sonage of Whethampsted duringe the lief of LUCE my wief and after her death noe more but onely Tenne poundes a yeare. Item I give and bequeathe to LUCE my wyf my lease which ys made to RICHARD BARLEY and WILLIAM TOOKE by Mr. PETER VANNES late p'son of Whethampsted of his sayde p'sonage, To have and to holde to her from the daye of expiration of the yeares yett to come in a former Leasse of the same p'sonage made vnto mee by the saide PETER VANNES, during her naturall lief vppon condicon that she shall paie yearely to NICHOLAS BRISTOWE eldest sonne to my sonne NICHOLAS BRISTOWE Sixe poundes, And to NICHOLAS HIDE and ANNE HIDE ioinctlye Sixe poundes duringe all the yeares conteyned in the same Leasse, And after the deathe of my saide wief to WILLIAM my Sonne (yf he shall then be lyvinge) vppon condicon of payment of the saide twoe Sommes yearelye and after the deceasse of the saide WILLIAM to the sayde NICHOLAS BRISTOWE the yong' vppon like condicon. And after the deathe of the saide NICHOLAS to the foresaid NICHOLAS HIDE and ANNE HIDE ioinctlye and to theire assignes. Item I have given to my sonne THOMAS BRISTOWE and ELIZABETH his wief an Annuytye of ffyve m'kes out of my first lease of ye parsonage of Whethampsted whiche I will shalbe observed and paid by my farmer there. And furthermore yf yt be my wiefes pleasure to dwell in her howse at Bilbesworth then my will and mynde ys that she shall furnish the same with as muche of my hanginges beddinges and other stuffe as shall lyke her best to whom I doe alsoe gyve in plate, that ys to saie, a greate standinge cuppe with a cou'r of sil'r and guilt Item twoe large and greate bowles of silu'r and guilt without cou's Item a lesser cuppe with a cou'r of silu'r and guilt Item my best salt of silu'r and

guilt with a cou'r. Item sixe spoones of silu'r and guilt and fower of silu'r white. Item twoe beere cuppes of silu'r and guilt and two of silu'r white. Item one lesser salt of silu'r and guilt wthout cou's and a Trencher salt of silu'r and guilt and a bason and ewer of silu'r and parcell guilt. Alsoe I doe gyve vnto her fower kyne, twoe sowes fowre hogges and tenne ewes all at her owne choice with all other sheepe that shee take proffitt of before; And yf yt shalbe her pleasure to remaine and dwell att Ayott, Then I will that she shall have all the rest of my plate, corne, goodes and cattell (except such as I have before bequeathed that is to saie, To MARY HIDE, ELIZABETH and GRISELL my daughters And to OWEN STRONGE and to either of them a ringe of goulde. Item to MARY HIDE a Cowe and sixe ewes besides her owne and her childrens cattell, Item to my daughter ELIZABETH a Cowe and sixe ewes. Item to my daughter GRISELL a Cowe and sixe ewes. Item to my sonne WILLIAM his wief a Cowe and sixe ewes. Item to my sonne ROBERTES wief a Cowe and sixe ewes. Item to my sonne THOMAS his wife a Cowe and sixe ewes. Item to NICHOLAS HIDE and ANNE HIDE to eache of them a Cowe and fower ewes besides their owne, All whiche my saide Legacies to be appointed and delivered wthin twoe yeares after my deathe Item I give and bequeathe to OWEN STRONGE my little beere Cuppe of sylu'r whiche was stollen at my feyer, And moreov'r for that I woulde wishe my loving wife to accepte in good p'te the dwelling in my house at Ayott with the Landes belonginge vnto the same whiche I have sett downe here before in this my last will I then give vnto my said loving wiefe all my plate Jewelles howseholde stuffe corne with all other implementes what soeu' not before bequeathed Item I give vnto RICHARD DUNWELL my servaunt six shillinges eight pence And vnto everye one of my howseholde s'uantes aswell menn servautes as maide s'uantes to every of them fyve shillinges: The Residue of all my Mannors Landes and Tenementes Rentes Reu'cons services woodes and vnderwoods with thappurtenaunces not before bequeathed with

the Reu'cion of all my Mannors Landes & Tenem'tes after the death of LUCE my wife I doe give and bequeathe to NICHOLAS my eldest sonne and heyre To have houlde and enioye the same to him duringe his naturall liefc vppon condicion that he and his heires shall p'forme the guiftes that I have before bestowed vppon my daughter HIDE and her poore childrenn as concerninge her Chamber and other thinges. And after the deathe of my saide sonne NICHOLAS, To NICHOLAS his sonne and to the heires males of his body lawfully begotten To my sonne WILLIAM and to his heires males of his bodye lawfully begotten, And for lacke of such heires males of his bodye lawfully begottenn To my sonne ROBERT and to the heires males of his bodye lawfully begottenn And for lacke of suche heires males of his bodye lawfully begottenn; To my sonne THOMAS and to the heires males of his bodye lawfully begottenn: And for lacke of such heires males of his body lawfully begottenn Then I give all the same to MARYE ELIZABETH and GRISELL my daughters and their heires for eu' equallye to be devided betwixt them: Provided alwaies and excepted by this my last will and testament, That if yt shall happen at any tyme aforesaide, the sayde NICHOLAS my eldest sonne and heire apparant or NICHOLAS his sonne or any other of my sonnes or any heires to attempte practise or putt in vre [sic] by anny manner of meanes or waies to discontynue this saide state Talye of any parte or percell of the Mannors Mesuages Landes and Tenementes wthin mencioned contrarye to thintente of this my present will and testament That then and from the tyme of the attemptinge of the saide discontynuanee that his or their estates shall from that daye forward forever be denied indged reputed and takenn to be vtterly voyde and surcease And the next heire male to whome thenheritaunce of the premisses ought by the Lawe to discende to enter have and enioye to him and his heires males vppon like condicion and to all intentes constructions and purposes as and yf he had died wthout yssue male of his bodye lawfully begottenn: Provided further that in case that there shall aryse

anny stryfe or variance betweene my childrenn hereafter for ye P'tition of any of my Legacies in this my present last will mentioned or otherwise Then I will that my foresaide wife with the help of her friendes and Kinsfolke shall take the paines torder and ende the same wthoute any Lawe which order and end I commaunde them and every of them to obey and keepe vppon my blessinge: Provided allwaies and my will and minde ys that yf NICHOLAS BRISTOWE my sonne and heire will not suffer my lovinge wief quietly and peaceably to have receive and take the yssues and proffittes of the Mannor of Ayott with thappurtenaunces accordinge as I have before determyned and appointed the same Notwithstandinge that by the Lawes of this Realme he my sayde eldest sonne maie have a Thirde parte of them with the proffittes thereof then I will that my sayde sonne and heire shall take noe advauntage proffitt neither yett anny benefitt of anny guifte before given vnto him by this my last will and testament: Provided alsoe and my will and mynde is that yf my daughter HIDE and her children shall departe and not remayne in my house of Ayott and there to have their meate and drinke with all thinges meete and necessarie for her and them accordinge to my good meaninge Then I will that my saide daughter HIDE shall have yearely paide vnto her or her assignes at the feast of Saincte Michael Tharchaungell and the Annunciacion of our Ladye by even porc'ons by LUCE my wief her good mother the somme of Sixe poundes thirteen shillinges fower pence towards her sustentatioun and lyving and her childrenn during the lief of my saide daughter MARY: And finally my will and mynde ys and soe I hartely desire my loving wife that shee will consider the great necessitie that o'r daughter HIDE and her poore childrenn are in, and to be good Mother to her and to all o'r children And when she shall thincke best to bestowe some parte of my goodes remayinge vppon everye of them wheare most neede shalbe. And vnto this my last will and testament I constitute ordeine and make my welbeloved wiffe WALTER TOOKE and WILLIAM TOOKE gent' my executors And my good brother in lawe

WILLIAM TOOKE esquier the ou'seer of this my last will and testament desyringe my wyves loving Kinsmen Mr. WALTER TOOKE and Mr WILLIAM TOOKE toextende their dayly frendshipp vnto my saide wief theire Aunt And further to continue their goodwilles to my daughter HIDE and her poore children To w^{ch} Mr WALTER TOOKE I doe give my greate ringe of golde with a pannsyne in yt, And to my Cozen Mr WILLIAM TOOKE my greatest ringe of goulde with a Turques in yt. And also I give to my lovinge brother WILLIAM TOOKE esquier a ringe of goulde. In witnes whereof to this my last will and testament I have sett my hande and seall Yeoven the daye and yeare above writtenn. BRISTOWE. Sealed and deliu'ed in the presence of ROBERT BRANDON, By me EDWARD PARKE, LAUNCELOT LOVELACE, RICHARD DUNWELLES, O. STRONGE." (P. C. C. Watson 20)

Proved; 29 July, 1584, by FRANCIS CLERK, public notary, proctor to LUCY the relict & executrix, power reserved to WALTER and WILLIAM TOOKE, the executors, when they shall apply for the same. (Abstract.)

The Will of ROBERT BRISTOWE of London, dated 1 July, 1610.

"In the name of God amen; 1610 and ye firste of July I ROBERT BRISTOWE of London in the Parrishe of St. Buttolls gent' beinge in body bothe sounde and whole and in mynde and memorie perfect (God be praised) doe make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge ffirst I bequeathe my soul vnto allmighty God my Savio'r and Redeemer And my Bodye to be buried in the Parrishe Church of St. Buttolls at the appoyntment of my Lo: wief whome I doe make my whole executor And as concerning my worldly goodes I doe give and bequeathe them as followeth ffirst I doe give vnto my Lo: wief all my Goodes and Cattells moneyes debtes moveable and vnmmoveables whatsoeu'

I have in this worlde at the daye of my deathe vppon condicon shee shall after hir deceasse bequeathe them to oure children accordinge to my nowe settinge downe in mann' and forme followinge Item I doe give vnto EUSTACE BRISTOWE our eldest sonne for his present relief and mayntenaunce one Annuytie of ffive poundes yearelie to be payde him duringe my wiefes lief if he the sayde EUSTACE does soe longe live And after the deathe of his mother then it is my mynde and will that shee shall lett him have Threescore poundes in monye and then the Annuytyc to surceasse. Item I doe give to the said EUSTACE my sonne all my Bowes and Crosbowes wth all thinges thereto belonging wth all my owne wearinge apparrell and all necessities belonginge to my office of Keeper Item I doe give and bequeathe vnto my sonne EUSTACE after the deathe of my Lo: wief my guylte Salte wth oute a Cover that was my ffathers an one guylte Spooone that was his alsoe.

Item I doe give to my sonne EUSTACE after the deceasse of my lovinge wief my best Bedd even as it standeth wth one silke Coverlett and a White Quilte and all thinges thereto belonging wth the Hanginges in my best chamber and one greate chest there standinge bounde wth yron All w^{ch} was my ffathers Item I doe give alsoe to my sonne EUSTACE my owne Picture after the decease of my Lo: wief hanginge in the same Chamber alsoe And if it happen my saide eldest sonne to departe this world before my sayde wief Then my will is that all those things before bequeathed to him shalbe equally devided to the rest of his Brothers & sisters at my Lo: wives disposinge MARYE BRISTOWE ROBIN and FRANKE iu hir discrecon That is to saye MARY B. ROBERT and FRAUNCYS BRISTOWE. Item I doe give to my daughter BARNARDE one Ringe of goulde after my deathe to the valewe of Twentye shillinges to be provided by my lovinge wief. Item I doe give to MARYE BRISTOWE my seconde daughter after the death of hir mother or at hir marriadge yf shee matche wth hir Mothers lykinge and at hir mothers choyce Threescore poundes in monye Alsoe I doe give hir the benefitt of one obligacons

of Mr TROUGHTONS if his wief prove wth childe remayne in my custodye Item I doe give vnto MARYE BRISTOWE my sayde daughter my best guylte Salte wth a Cover and twoe Spoones of silver after the death of my Lo: wief Item I doe give vnto the same MARYE one ffeatherbed wth all thinges thereunto belonginge w^{ch} Bed nowe standeth in the chamber w^{ch} hir Graundmother lyeth in in London. Item I doe give to ROBERT BRISTOWE my thirde sonne after the deathe of my Lo: wief Threescore poundes alsoe in money and one guylte Bowle and twoe silver spoones wth a ffeatherbed and all thinges thereto belonginge w^{ch} my wief dothe thincke moste fittest and my owne Chest in my Chamber to the sayde ROBERT. Item I doe give to FRAUNCYS BRISTOWE my youngest daughter after the deathe of my Lo: wief Threescore poundes alsoe in Monye wth my smallest guilt Salte wth a Cover and twoe silver Spoones and my silver greate Bowle and one feth'bed wth all thinges thereto belonginge wth my Lease of Throppe oute of w^{ch} shee is to have ffeve pounce yearelie duringe hir lief And further it is my will and mynde that if any of my sayde Children departe this lief before my Lo: wief Then my mynde is that that portion or portions before given shalbe equally devided amongst the other three before spoken of then lyvinge in my wyves discreacon Item I doe give to the Poore of the Parrishe of St Buttolls Tenn shillinges yf I dye there to be distributed at the discreacon of my Lo: wief Item I doe give and bequeathe to the Ringers ffeve shillinges in money And it is my desire that there shoulde be moderate Ringinge not for that I thinke it can any wayes doe me anye good savinge it is a thinge I ever loved The residue of all and sing'ler my goodes Chattells debtes ready monye and whatsoev'ells I dye seised of vnbequeathed my debts payde and my Legacyes performed I doe give and bequeathe vnto my lovinge wief whome I make and ordaine full and whole executor of this my last will & testam't not meaninge that NICHOLAS my seconde sonne shall have any parte of my goodes because I have bredde him vp to have learninge to gett his owne livinge

other wayes excepte it please his mother to give him in hir will eny thinge the w^{ch} I leave to hir discreation earnestly desyringe my lovinge wief to be good to all oure children and especially to have some consideracon of EUSTACE oure eldest sonne for his present mayntenaunce in regard he can doe nothinge to helpe himself. Alsoe I doe make NICHOLAS my sonne the overseer of this my will to helpe his Mother and I give him my wearinge Ringe In witnes whereof I the saide ROBERT BRISTOWE have wrytten this my last will with my owne hande and have setto my marke and sealle the daye and yeare abovewritten anno domini, 1610. R: BRISTOWE." (P. C. C. Fenner, 74)

Proved; 14 August, 1612, by MARY BRISTOWE, relict of deceased & executrix. (Abstract.)

The Will of JAMES BRISTOWE ² of St. Giles in the Fields,

² James Bristowe, as was seen *ante* Vol. XXII, p. 14, became the stepfather of John Wise who m. as her second husband Susan Lawrence, widow of John Darnall and a cousin of Ann, Lady Calvert. James Bristowe's will surely indicates close kinship to Nicholas Bristowe, the founder of the Herts family. His favorite "cozen" Francis, son of his "cozen Nicholas Bristowe the Elder," m. 18 May, 1602 ("pr. lic. Cofton," *Registers of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, London*, Vol. I, p. 34) Ann Darnall (eldest dau. of John Darnall and Susanna Lawrence) who was the stepdaughter of his step son! Francis Bristowe was living 10 Feb., 1636/7 when he and Christopher Vernon were named at the proving of the will of Dame Frances Boteler. His wife Ann Bristowe is called a widow in the will of Christopher Vernon, 7 Apr., 1652. The children of Francis and Ann Bristowe were; (1) Francis; (2) Jane; (3) James; (4) Nicholas; (5) John; (6) Francis; (7) Susan; (8) Ann.

The children of Nicholas Bristowe II, also Clerk of the Jewels to the royal house, and his wife Margaret Boteler, were; (1) Nicholas, b. 1563, m. Elizabeth Pinder, d. 19 Apr., 1626, ae. 63, buried Ayot St. Lawrence, and of whom later; (2) Francis of Sacomb, Herts, bapt. 24 Feb., 1565/6, m. Ann Darnall; (3) James, bapt. 13 May, 1574, living 1591; (4) Philip of Sacomb, bapt. 6 Apr., 1568, m. Mary Bramfeild or Mary Sell; (5) Julyan, bapt. 12 July, 1576, m. 28 Dec., 1597, Thomas Colt of Lewes; (6) Julius, living 1591; (7) Elizabeth, bapt. 24 July, 1569, m. at Watton, Herts, 31 July, 1592, George Clerke of Chisfeild, buried 1606; (8) Susanna, bapt. 25 Aug., 1577, m. 30 Dec., 1600, at Ayot St. Lawrence,

London, dated 10 Sept., 1591. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

Whereas the present Queen at Greenwich 11 March in the 8th year of her reign [1566], issued a patent to JOHN WALGRAVE gent of 25 acres of pasture in St. Giles Field, 5 acres in a close near Coleman Hedge and 5 acres of pasture in Coleman Hedge Field in St. Giles Parish to hold from 29 Sept. 1574 for 21 years and whereas the Queen issued a patent at Westminster 22 Sept. in the 21st year of her reign [1579] to RAFFE STAVERTON from 1595 for thirty years for the same lands, all of which have now come to me JAMES BRISTOWE by various means, I devise unto my loving kinsman FRAUNCIS BRISTOWE gent. all rights in RAFFE STAVERTON'S land also unto FRAUNCIS BRISTOWE beds and bedding and £10; unto JAMES BRISTOWE my godson brother to the said FRAUNCIS £10 to be paid when his parents and friends see fit to do so; to PHILIP BRISTOWE brother to JAMES £5; to JULIUS BRISTOWE brother to JAMES £5; to cousin JULIAN BRISTOWE sister to FRAUNCIS BRISTOWE £10; to cousin NICHOLAS BRISTOWE the elder a "Crampe Ringe of golde of three peeeces, each weighing an aungell" "the little Ringe to his wife"; to THOMAS BRISTOWE of Nutfield [Surrey] the like ring; the like ring to his wife; to RICHARD BRISTOWE late of Woodham Water Park [Woodham-Walter, Essex?] the like ring; the like ring to his wife; to ANNE CAREWE of the parish of St. Giles in the Fields the like ring; to RICHARD ALFORD my servant £20; to servant WILLIAM BRISTOWE £20; to servant MARGARET

Thomas Langworth, gent.; (9) Mary, bapt. 22 Feb., 1572/3, by Kimpton, Herts Registers, m. 7 Feb., 1598/9, John Sell; (10) Jane, bapt. 22 Jan., 1578/9, m. Richard Gardiner; (11) John, bapt. 24 Feb., 1564/5 at Watton, m. and had issue [perhaps John of Essex]; (12) Ann, m. 1 Aug., 1596 at Ayot St. Lawrence, John Axtell (Clutterbuck's *Herts*, Vol. II, pp. 254, 301; *V. of Essex*, Harleian, Vol. II, p. 358).

TIRKHILL an annuity of 26s. 8d.; to servant ANN HALL, 40s. beside her wages; to JOHN SMYTHE son of my cousin JOHN SMYTHE of Billingsgate £10; to poor of Christ Hospital; to poor of St. Giles; residue to loving son-in-law JOHN WISE gent; executor; overseer, THOMAS RAINS, chaplain to Archbishop of Canterbury. Signed, J: BRISTOWE, THOMAS STIDOLFE, THOMAS VEALE. (P. C. C. Sainberbe 91.)

Proved; 6 Dec. 1591, by JOHN WISE, gent. the executor named in the will.

The Will of ELIZABETH BRISTOWE,³ widow, of Whet-hampsted, Herts, dated 30 May, 1653. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

Relict of NICHOLAS BRISTOWE of Ayot St. Lawrence, Herts esq. being very aged; to be buried in Chapel of Church of Ayot St. Lawrence near my husband's grave; to son ROBERT BRISTOWE, ESQ.; to ELIZABETH BRISTOWE his wife; to grandchild and godson NICHOLAS BRISTOWE, son of son ROBERT BRISTOWE; to grandchildren (children also of son ROBERT BRISTOWE),

* Elizabeth Bristowe, widow of Nicholas Bristowe III, was the dau. of Thomas Pindar of Winchester, Hampshire. She d. "20 May, 1654 ae. 89" and "was buried 23 May, 1654 ae. 88 years, 10 months" in the chapel at Ayot St. Lawrence, Herts. The children of Nicholas Bristowe and Elizabeth Pindar were; (1) Elizabeth who m. 1605, Charles Thorold; (2) Helen or Ellen who m., 27 July 1607 by the Ayot Registers, Robert Mynn, bro. of Ann Mynn, Lady Calvert; (3) Nicholas who m. Anne and had Elizabeth and Ann; (4) Grizel who m. 1623, John Ellis, and secondly, ——— Noice; (5) Frances; (6) Robert, b. 29 July, 1596 at Whethampsted, d. 8 March, 1670/1, m. 2 Sept., 1641, Elizabeth Scriven of London and whose eldest surviving son William, bapt. Ayot St. Lawrence, 30 July, 1649, inherited Ayot St. Lawrence (Clutterbuck's *Herts*, Vol. III, p. 69); (7) Richard who d. 1603 in childhood; (8) Rev. Litton, Vicar of Kimpton, of Trinity College Cambridge, bapt. 3 Dec., 1601, buried Ayot St. Lawrence, 17 Sept., 1634; Edward (1603-1642); (10) Jane who m. 1624, Wm. Irish, gent; (11) Frances who m. 20 Dec. 1620 at Ayot, Wm Clerke of Chisfeild; (12) Martha, bapt. 10 Sept., 1587 at Ayot.

ROBERT, MARIE, WILLIAM and FRAUNCES BRISTOWE, all under 18; to daughter HELEN MYNN, wife of ROBERT MYNN, esq.; to daughter GRIZELL NOICE £40 in full satisfaction of the sum of £30 which was left unpaid of her marriage portion with her first husband with remainder to GRIZELL NOICE'S children by both husbands; to grandchild JOANE HARRISON, wife of JAMES HARRISON gent.; to said JAMES HARRISON: to grandchildren Mrs BLONDWORTH and Mrs. CROWES: to grandchild Mrs ANN BROCKETT wife of CHARLES BROCKETT gent; to grandchild THOMAS PUMFRET the younger (son of THOMAS PUMFRET gent. and ELIZABETH his wife), and to his sister ELIZABETH PUMFRET, both under 18; to grandchild JAMES IRISH gent.; to MARIE PORTER daughter of JOHN PORTER deceased at age of 18; to cousin REBECCA GRINNWYN, wife of THOMAS GRINNWYN; to loving friend MARIE, wife of WILLIAM ROLFE gent. my executor; legacy for repair of BRISTOWE family chapel at Ayott; 88 pence for seven poor widows to represent the testator's number of years; to maid servant JANE HARRISON; WILLIAM ROLFE of Whethampsted sole executor; loving friend Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS, Clerke, overseer. Signed ELIZABETH BRISTOWE, her mark. Witnesses, WILLIAM DAVIS, ROBERT GREENE, JAMES ROLFE, JANE HARRISON. (P. C. C. Aylett 355.)

Proved; 4 Apr., 1655 by WILLIAM ROLFE, executor named in the will.

The Will of JOHN BRISTOW ⁴ of Binsted, Hampshire, dated 15 May, 1646.

⁴ The will of John *Bristow* of Binsted, Hampshire settles for all time the question of the parentage of Robert *Bristow* of Virginia. Robert pursued a fortunate career in Virginia from 1600, married Averilla Curtis in America and returned to England, where he seems to have amassed great wealth and where his descendants have made brilliant marriages. Sir Edward Bysshe, whose statements are not always to be relied upon, did considerable work upon the Surrey Bristowe family from which he himself

"In the name of God Amen The fifteenth day of May Anno d'mi One thousand sixe hundred forty sixe And in the twenty second year of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles by the Grace of God King of England Scotland and ffrance and Ireland Defendor of the ffaith &c' I JOHN BRISTOW of Bensted in the County of Southt' yeoman being sicke in body but of good and perfect memory Laud and praise be unto Almighty God Doe make and ordaine this my last Will and Testament In manner and forme following That is to say First I commend my soule vnto Almighty God my maker and vnto Jesus Christ my Redeemer by whose merrits and passion I verily hope to be saved and my body to the earth from whence it came to be decently buryed in the Church or Churchyard of the parish of Bensted aforesaid Imprimis I give vnto the Church of Bensted tenne groats toward repaireing thereof Item

descended and in his Visitation of Herts, 1669, (still unpublished, so far as the writer can discover) he made Robert of Virginia, so Burke says, the son of Robert of Herts and grandson of Elizabeth Bristowe whose will is given in abstract herewith. Following this line, Hoare's *Modern Wilts*, Vol. V, part II, pp. 11, 28-34 * gives a mass of impressive material upon the pedigree of Robert of Virginia, and Burke in some early editions of his *Landed Gentry* copies this elaborate mistake. Apparently the error was pointed out however for in later editions he gave Robert no ancestors at all. The will of Robert of Virginia named Binsted as his birthplace, and Jane Blanchard and Alice Stephens as his sisters, and no connection whatever with the Hertfordshire family appears on the surface, although further research would probably show them both to have descended from a common Surrey ancestor. It will be observed that the two families spelled their names differently. Robert Bristow of London, 1706, had a bookplate beautifully engraved which used the arms granted to Nicholas I in 1544, which is intriguing but nothing more (*Home Counties Magazine*, Vol. V, p. 6). John Bristow of Middlesex County, Virginia, who has so many American descendants, must be suspected first of all of being related to the Binsted family, since there is some similarity of names between his family and that of Robert, nearby. Mr. M. E. Bristow, 1010 State Office Building, Richmond, Va. is compiling a genealogy of the American Bristows and would welcome any correspondence upon the subject (*Records of Christ Church, Middlesex Co., Va.*; *Tyler's Quarterly*, Vol. V, p. 177; *William and Mary College Quarterly*, Vol. II, p. 28, Vol. III, p. 189, Vol. XXI, pp. 28-9; *Landmarks of Old Prince William*, p. 191; *Va. Mag. of Hist.*, Vol. XIII, p. 59).

I give vnto the poore of the said parish of Bensted tenne shillings to be bestowed at my buryall at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named Item my Will and meaneing is that all such debts which I doe owe of Right or of Conscience be discharged by my Executors Nowe as touching my Messuages barnes Lands tenem'ts and hereditaments whereof I stand seized scituate lyeing and being in Bensted aforesaid my full intent meaneing and will is to give and doe give vnto JOHN my second sonne payeing yearly out of one parcell of Land called and knowne by the name of Capham vnto NICHOLAS my eldest sonne and out of the Landes belonging thereunto fower pounds at the two most vsuall ffeasts or termes in the yeare that is to say at the ffeast of St. Michael the Archangell and the Annunciation of the blessed Virgine the Lady Mary by even and equall portions dureing his naturall life the first payment to beginne the first of either the the said feasts which shall happen next and imediately after my decease To have and to hold all the aforesaid Messuage Barnes Lands Tenements and Hereditaments with the appurtenances whatsoever before given the which I now stand seized of in Bensted aforesaid vnto JOHN my said second sonne and to his heires forever. Item I give vnto JANE my daughter the wife of THOMAS BLANCHARD tenne shillings where wth I doubt not but that she wilbe right well pleased and contented in regard of that which as a father I have already done and provided for her Item I give unto RICHARD my sonne twenty pounds to be paid unto him at such time as the time of his apprenticeship is expired. Item I give vnto ROBERT my son twenty pounds to be paid vnto him likewise at such time as the time of his apprenticeship is expired. Item my Will and meaneing is that my Executors heerafter named shall put HENRY my youngest sonne apprentice in London as soone as he shalbe fitting and I give vnto HENRY my said youngest sonne twenty pounds to be paid vnto him in like manner when the time of his apprenticeship is expired. Item I give vnto ALICE my youngest daughter forty pounds to be delivered vnto her at one and

twenty yeares of age And if it chance any of my said Children to decease before their said Legacies be paid or is due vnto them then my Will and meaneing is that such Legacy or legacies herein to him her or them bequeathed and deceased shalbe and remaine vnto rest of my Children surviveing equally to be devidid betwixt them Item all the residue of my Goods and Chattels whatsoever All my debts that I owe being truely paid and my funerall Expences performed I give and bequeath vnto JANE my wife and JOHN my second sonne whom I make and ordeine my sole and onely Executors of this my last Will and Testament enoiyneing them to see my said debts and legacies paid and performed according to the true intent and meaneing of this my last Will and Testament And that this my last Will may be better performed I request my welbeloved friendes THOMAS STENT of the Bensted aforesaid yeoman and THOMAS BLANCHARD of Frale to be Overseers of the same And for their paines in that behalfe I give either of them sixe shillings eight pence In witnes whereof I have heervnto set my hand and seale the day and yeare above written. JOHN BRISTOW, in the presence of JOHN HARDING Scr' sig' JOHANNIS BENSTED." (P. C. C. Twisse 159.)

Proved; 24 November, 1646, by JOHN BRISTOW, one of the executors, power reserved to JANE, relict of deceased, the executrix when she shall apply for same. (Abstract.)

The Will of CHRISTOPHER VERNON ⁵ of County Herts,

⁵ Christopher Vernon, husband of Elizabeth Darnall, and author of a work on the Exchequer, was a member of an obscure family of Little Stukeley, Huntingdonshire, who invariably appear as *Vernam* in the meager records relating to them. They were however doubtless descended from the Vernons of Haddon Hall, since the *Visitation of Hertfordshire* (Harleian, p. 100) and the mural tablet in St. Mary's Church, Hertingfordbury, Herts, are quite positive in their statements on the subject. The elaborately quartered arms on the tablet apparently are intended to bear out the assertion. It will be remembered that the monument to Anne Mynn, Lady Calvert, is in this selfsame church,

First Secondary of the Office of the Pipe in the Public Exchequer, dated 7 April, 1652. (Abstract by Miss Lucy Drucker, 118a, Alexandra Road, London.)

Upon the marriage of my eldest son, I settled all my lands etc upon him and his issue (after the death of me and my wife), except my lands in Great and Little Wymondley, County Herts, which I hold by copy of that manor, which I surrendered before his marriage, to the use of my second son EDWARD and LETTICE his wife, to them and their issue, in default to my right heirs and also some freehold land there.

By Indenture bearing date 27 December, 1649, I assigned to my brother-in-law, WILLIAM CARTER Esqr and my

a fact of sufficient interest to Americans, one would think, to be noticed in the guidebooks. Christopher Vernon was the son of William Vernam of Little Stukeley, Hunts and his wife Alice, "daughter of Thomas Walker of Tattenhall, Chester." The wills of Christopher (1606) and Alice Swinscoe (1610) of Peterborough, Northamptonshire mention the Walkers of Geddington, Northamptonshire and Alice, wife of William Vernam. The will of Alice Swinscoe mentions Christopher Vernam, son of William and Alice, and his wife, by which the date of Christopher's marriage is somewhat indicated (*Fenland Notes and Queries*, Vol. I, p. 341; Vol. II, p. 3). Anyone who is interested in tracing the ancestry of Christopher Vernon will find ample materials in the Registry of Peterborough (*Index Library*, Vol. 42, Huntingdonshire Wills). The epitaph to Christopher Vernon and his family is in Latin and freely translated, reads thus (Cussan's *Herts*, Vol. II, Pt. II, p. 108):

"In the Earth close by, looking to a happy Resurrection, lies Christopher Vernon, Esquire, of the ancient Family of Vernon of Haddon in Derbyshire, who was Lord of the Manor of Hertingfordbury, First Secondary of the Pipe in the Exchequer, and Surveyor and Receiver of the Green Wax in the same. He held moreover, far greater Claims to Honor which could not be so easily passed on to a Successor; he was a skillful interpreter of the Classic Writers or ancient writings, and a careful Guardian of the entire Exchequer. He died 25 May, 1652, in the 69th year of his Age.

He left by his wife Elizabeth (daughter of John Darnall, Esq., also Secondary of the Pipe, by Susan Lawrence his wife, Daughter and Coheirress of Roger Lawrence, gent., last of the Males of a long line of Lawrences in Hertingfordbury); Francis, Son and Heir; Edward and Edmund; Susan wedded to Arthur Lowe, Esq.; Ann, the Consort of Timothy Stamp, Esq.; Frances, Wife of John Brewster, Gent.; and Elizabeth. His beloved and sorrowing Wife, Elizabeth, Daughter and Coheirress of the aforesaid

friends NICHOLAS HEYMOR gent. and JOHN BREWSTER, gent. all my lands in St. Giles and St. Martins in the Fields, County Middlesex, which I held then by lease and whereas since then my daughter FRANCES has married the said JOHN BREWSTER with my consent, I desire the same may go to pay £100 still due on my said daughter's portion and other debts.

I have settled a jointure on my wife ELIZABETH but now further I give her the house at Hartingfordbury and in the parish of St. Andrew Hertford and to have the use of all my goods for life or until she marries again.

Whereas I lately purchased a fee farm rent in the manor of

Susan Lawrence, places this Tomb with Sighs and Lamentations. I know that my Redeemer liveth."

The sisters of Christopher Vernam or Vernon, were; (1) Ann, who m. 28 Oct., 1600, Thomas Rooding (*Cambridgeshire Parish Registers*, Vol. IV, p. 138, Papworth St. Agnes); (2) Margaret who is mentioned in the will of Alice Swinscoe, 1610; (3) Bridget who married an Emerson; (4) Alice who m. 8 Nov., 1607 (also by the *Papworth St. Agnes Register*) John Stockdale; (5) her twin sister, who may be identical with Margaret above, however. The children of Christopher and Elizabeth Vernon were; (1) Francis (at Cambridge University 1623) who m. Eleanor Cockayne, of whom later; (2) Edward, Controller of the Pipe in 1652, who m. Lettice ——— and of whom the writer can find no further trace; (3) Susanne who m. Arthur Lowe of the Inner Temple, Esq. (son of Arthur Lowe of the Inner Temple and his wife Mary Hammond. Bysshe, *Visitation of Essex*, p. 59) by whom she had Anthony Lowe of Walden in Essex who m. Elizabeth Buckley of Cambridge and had issue; (4) Anne who m. Timothy Stampe of the Inner Temple (enrolled Balliol, Oxford, 16 July, 1621 ae. 15), son of Timothy Stamp and Mary Clent of Oxfordshire, and bro. of Rev. Wm. Stamp (1611-1653) chaplain to Elizabeth, Queen of Bohemia and Charles II, when Prince of Wales. Mary (Clent) Stampe m., second, Abel Gower of Worcestershire, whose will, 1632, mentions his step-children, the Stampes. Some Gowers and Stampes appear in Virginia and Maryland a generation later (*Dict. of Nat. Biog.* for Stamp; *Va. Mag. of Hist.*, Vol. XVII, p. 400; *Wm. and Mary Quarterly*, Vol. VII, p. 290; *Va. County Records*, Vol. IX, p. 20; *Early Settlers List of Maryland*; *Md. Wills*, passim; Clutterbuck's *Herts*, Vol. II, p. 367; *Crisp's V. of Eng. and Wales*, Notes Series, Vol. XI, pp. 167, 178); (5) Frances, who m. John Brewster, Esq., Controller of the Pipe; (6) Elizabeth who m. after her father's epitaph was composed, Walter Wallinger, Esq., First Secondary of the Pipe, s. of Benjamin Wallinger

Hertingfordbury I bequeath the same after the death of me and my wife to my youngest son EDMOND, to my said son EDWARD and his issue, and after his death to my grandson WILLIAM VERNON, son of my son FRANCIS. To my grandchild CHRISTOPHER VERNON, 2nd son of my son FRANCIS and his heirs another fee farm rent. I managed the business for my sister-in law, M^{rs} SUSAN MORIS, after the death of her husband HENRY CHITTING Esqr. and agreed with Mr. BENNETT for the provision of the children of said CHITTING by his former wife and of FRANCES CHITTING his child by the said SUSAN, my executors to

and Judith Mildmay of London and Chelmsford, Essex. Elizabeth Wallinger d. 13 March, 1712/3 in her 77th year and is buried in St. Mary's Church, Hertingfordbury with her husband who d. 23 Jan., 1709/10 in his 78th year (*Clutterbuck's Herts*, Vol. II, p. 206; *Cussan's Herts*, Vol. II, Part II, p. 110).

Francis Vernon of the Inner Temple, son and heir of Christopher Vernon, m. 16 Jan., 1638/9, by records of St. Peter le Poor, London, Ellen or Eleanor Cockayne, dau. of William Cockayne of London and his first wife Ellen Lloyd of Kent. Eleanor Cockayne's sisters were Dame Mary Drury and Dame Elizabeth Rich, and her father was first cousin of Sir William Cockayne, Lord Mayor of London (G. E. Cockayne, *Lord Mayors and Sheriffs of London*, p. 83; *Cockayne Memoranda*, pp. 44, 45, 47 & pedigree chart; *Clutterbuck's Herts*, Vol. II, p. 199 *et seq.*; *Cussan's Herts*, Vol. II, Hertford Section, p. 103; *V. of Kent*, 1619, Harleian, p. 56). The surviving children of Francis Vernon and Eleanor Cockayne were; (1) Ann of St. Ann's Lane, Westminster, who was living 1724, unmarried; (2) William who by his marriage after 24 July, 1663, to Ann dau. of John and Ann Fitzherbert of Begbrook, Oxfordshire, touched a Virginia circle of considerable interest. John Fitzherbert was the nephew of Edward Fitzherbert, whose wife Elizabeth was the sister of Amphilis Roades who m. Rev. Lawrence Washington and was an ancestress of George Washington. Henry Fitzgilbert Waters worked long over this Fitzherbert clue to the identity of Amphilis Washington and he published a mass of material, among which is the will of John Fitzherbert, which does not however name his young daughter Ann. John Fitzherbert's wife was Ann Atkins, dau. of Sir Edward Atkins and sister of Sir Robert. The Fitzherberts of Maryland and Virginia could doubtless be traced through this channel (*London Licenses at the Faculty Office*, Harleian, p. 72; *Genealogical Gleanings in England*, pp. 362, 396, etc.; Stapleton, *Three Oxfordshire Parishes*, pp. 340-1).

The Vernon family at about this point begins to be very complicated

pay said FRANCES CHITTING £20 at her age of 21, the same having been due to her mother.

I aided JOHN EDWARDS of Sandon, County Herts, gent., in his lifetime and got him out of prison for debt and I have maintained his daughter BRIDGET EDWARDS and now I bequeath her 20 marks at her age of 24. Seven years ago I paid for my son-in-law, Mr TIMOTHIE STAMPE, £150 which he has not repaid me, the same debt he shall pay to my daughter ANNE STAMPE and her children. I bequeath to JANE, only daughter of said ANNE STAMPE, £20. To my wife's three sisters, Mrs ANNE BRISTOWE, widow, Mrs SUSAN MORIS and Mrs MARY CARTER I desired to pre-

for the student of John Mynne's descendants and the material here given is offered with some trepidation. There was another Francis of London whose son James (1646-1727) was Secretary of State, secretary to the Duke of Monmouth, father of Admiral Edward Vernon (1684-1757), for whom our Mount Vernon was named, etc. This Francis of London also had a son Francis (1637-1677) who was a traveller and author. Both are described in the *Dictionary of National Biography*. Douglas Ford's *Admiral Vernon*, p. 3, helps us to clear up this Cheshire and Staffordshire family, but it is a strange coincidence that the two families should have moved in similar official circles, though unrelated, and that two such confusing Francis Vernons should have lived in London at the same time. Likewise Admiral Edward Vernon above must not be confounded with his very remote kinsman Admiral Sir Edward Vernon (1723-1794) nor must either be connected with Christopher's son Edward Vernon, of the Exchequer in 1652.

The children of William Vernon and Ann Atkins were; (1) Christopher, son and heir, who came to Maryland, held office in Ann Arundell County, bought "Marsh's Seat" in St. James Parish of Thomas Knighton in 1707, seems to have gone back and forth to England, m. circa 1691 Lois Gongo (dau. of Faith Gongoe, widow, of "Kequotan Choice," Herring Creek, Ann Arundell County, previously held by Stephen Benson) widow of Lewis Evans, planter, who d. circa 1690, by whom she had Elizabeth Evans, who m. Francis Auctill; Sarah Evans, who m. Samuel Griffith; Ann Evans who m. Benjamin Battee; and Katherine Evans. Christopher Vernon and Lois Gongoe (Evans) had; (1) Ephraim, his father's favorite, b. 18 Feb., 1691/2, bapt. (St. James Church Records), Ann Arundell Co., Maryland, 11 June, 1704, living 9 June, 1724, when he had two children; (2) William, b. 23 Jan., 1693/4, bapt. same time as Ephraim, m. Sophia by whom he had Ann, b. 4 Oct., 1735, inventory 24 June, 1740, administratrix wife Sophia; (3) Thomas, b. 27 Jan., 1701/2, bapt. (St. James

sent each with a piece of plate, but in these hard times my plate has been disposed of, so I give them 30s. each. To my eldest son, FRANCIS, Lord Coke's printed Littleton with the calendar to it and the rest of my books to my sons EDWARD and EDMOND and to the said EDMOND my Three Manuscripts being collections in 2 books of all grants of manors, rectories, granges etc from the Crown throughout England and Wales to the beginning of James I's reign and an alphabetical directory to the same and on his death the same to my grandchild WILLIAM VERNON. To my daughter ELIZABETH, my new great Bible. To all my grandchildren, 20s. each To my son FRANCIS and ELEANOR his wife, the silver urn

church records, Ann Arundell Co., Maryland), 1 March, 1701/2, living 1746; (4) Loys, b. 1 Oct., 1697, bapt. St. James, Ann Arundell County, 11 Sept., 1718 probably identical with Lucy "daughter of Christopher and Lois Vernon" who was buried 27 Sept., 1718 by records of St. James; (5) Ann, who in 1724 was the wife of George Martin, by whom she had Agnes. Christopher Vernon's distinguished ancestry can doubtless be claimed by persons living in America who, relying upon his recorded will (dated 8 Dec., 1724 and proved in London), which mentions neither wife nor children, have dismissed all thought of him as a forebear (*Md. Wills*, Vol. V, p. 192; *Md. Hist. Mag.*, Vol. II, p. 183). There is however in the Land Office at Annapolis, an unrecorded will, dated 9 June, 1724, written in a beautiful hand, signed by Christopher Vernon, and bearing the armorial seal which identifies him as of London and Hertingfordbury, Herts. It is the will of a thoroughly disgusted man who is going home to England, and in it he pours out all his bitterness against Lois (whom he considers no wife because she refused at the wedding ceremony to say the words *honor and obey*); against his daughter Ann who married George Martin contrary to his command; against his son William; but in which he expresses a tender regard for his step-daughter Elizabeth Anktill, beside whom he wishes to be buried, and who is to be his executrix. Elizabeth Anktill, 1 June, 1724, was made Christopher Vernon's attorney, and the vituperations against his wife and children in this document are exceedingly amusing. Of course much litigation was the result of the recorded will which disinherited his family and William Vernon went to England in 1725 upon the business of the estate, aided by the Chews and Darnalls. Christopher Vernon had in Ann Arundell County neighbors of the names of Selby and Knighton, both suggesting Hertfordshire ties. The Manor of Hertingfordbury, Herts, was sold in 1690 to James Selby by either William Vernon, the heir, or his son and heir Christopher Vernon, later of Maryland (Records in Land Office, Annapolis;

with cover given me by the DUCHESS OF RICHMOND with remainder after their deaths to their eldest son WILLIAM. To my son EDWARD VERNON, Controller of the Pipe, and his wife LETTICE, my silver tankard. To my daughter SUSAN LOW, my silver cream dish. To my daughter ANNE STAMPE, my silver basin. To my daughter FRANCES, two silver fruit dishes. To my daughter ELIZABETH two silver candlesticks. To my son EDMOND, one dozen silver spoons. To my sisters ANNE ROODING and BRIDGET EMERSON, 20s. each. Residuary legatee, my wife and after her death my son EDMOND and daughters FRANCES and ELIZABETH. As I provided for my poor

Md. Archives, Vols. 20, 23, 25, 26; Rec. of St. James Parish, Ann Arundell County, Md., in *Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.*; *Md. Wills*, Vol. II, p. 67; also all Hertfordshire authorities as indicated *ante*).

William Vernon and Ann Fitzherbert had, beside Christopher of Maryland; (2) William, presumably that William of Herts who was admitted to Peterhouse, Cambridge, 1685 *ae.* 18, who in 1697 had leave to go to the West Indies for four years of study. He was a "distinguished botanist." (3) John, who by the will, 1724, of his brother Christopher Vernon of St. Dunstan in the East, London and Maryland, had m. Jane —, by whom he had at least Wm. and Ann (Moore). John Vernon's widow Jane in 1724 was the wife of John Ashford or Ashton. (4) Thomas, bapt. 22 June, 1681 by the records of St. Mary's Hertingfordbury, and whom this writer supposes to be the Thomas Vernon of Twickenham who was a trustee of Charles, Lord Baltimore's will in 1715 (*Side Lights on Maryland History*, Vol. II, p. 47). He d. 22 Aug., 1726, leaving his wife Jane; Jane his eldest dau. who d. unmarried 1734; Annabella (1707-1777) (who m. Gen. Wm. A'Court, and by him was the ancestress of the present Baron Heytesbury of Heytesbury, Wilts. Burke's *Peerage*, current editions); and Matilda (who m. Charles Repington of Ammington Hall, Tamworth Parish, Warwickshire portion). *The Herald and Genealogist*, Vol. 4, pp. 533-5, discusses the Lawrence family of Hertingfordbury and says that Thomas Vernon of Twickenham Park, Middlesex, was descended from Christopher Vernon and Elizabeth Darnall. *The Dictionary of National Biography*, at the conclusion of an article on Thomas Vernon (1654-1721) law reporter, says that he "has been sometimes confused in error with Thomas Vernon of Twickenham Park, Middlesex, formerly secretary to the Duke of Monmouth [Is not James Vernon, Secretary of the Duke, here being confused with Thomas?]. This person was a Lord Commissioner of Trade and Foreign Plantations, Sept. 1713

sister STOCKDALL and her twin sister while she lived, I desire my wife to continue providing for her.

Executors, my wife and my friends Mr RALPH DARNALL, my wife's near kinsman, and my son-in-law, JOHN BREWSTER. Supervisors, my brother-in-law, WILLIAM CARTER, Esqr. and my eldest son FRANCIS. Signed, CHRISTOPHER VERNON. [No witnesses names given] (P. C. C. Boyer 144)

Proved; 24 June, 1652, by ELIZABETH VERNON, the relict and RALPH DARNALL and JOHN BREWSTER the executors named.

The Will of SUSAN WISE⁶ of Hertingfordbury, Herts, dated 26 June, 1630.

to Sept. 1714; M. P. for Whitechurch [Hants] as a Tory, 1710 to 1721, when he was expelled in the House in May 1721, and from 1722 until his death, 1726." Thomas Vernon bought Twickenham Park in 1702 and was Pope's landlord for many years. He served as church warden with Sir Godfrey Kneller. Nathaniel Piggott, the Roman Catholic barrister, (1661-1737), likewise a trustee of Charles, Lord Baltimore, in 1715, is buried in Twickenham Church, with an epitaph by his intimate friend Pope (Cobbett, *Memorials of Twickenham*, pp. 66-7; Brewer's *Middlesex*, Vol. V, p. 386; Hoare, *Modern Wilts*, Vol. I, Heytesbury Section, pp. 121-150; Lysons, *Environs of London*, Vol. II, p. 776; Beatson, *Parliamentary Register*, Vol. I, p. 172; Clutterbuck, *Herts*, Vol. II, p. 201, a Vernon pedigree, published 1821; Chauncey, *Herts*, Vol. I, p. 534); (5) Eleanor who m. after 8 Apr., 1686 (*Faculty Office Licenses, London, Index Library*, Vol. 33, p. 95) Francis Shrimpton of London, goldsmith; (6) Elizabeth, buried 19 Apr., 1679 at Hertingfordbury; (7) Mary, buried 22 Sept., 1690 at Hertingfordbury.

⁶ It interesting to make the further acquaintance of a lady who was so admired and trusted by her relations. Susan Wise was the daughter of Roger Lawrence and Elizabeth Mynn (aunt of Ann, Lady Calvert). She m. (1) John Darnall, whose will was given *ante*, Vol. XXII, p. 2, by whom she had (as this will proves, thus banishing the uncertainty expressed *ante*, Vol. XXII, p. 2): Ann w. of Francis Bristowe; Elizabeth, w. of Christopher Vernon; Susan, w. of Henry Chitting and Thomas Morris; and Mary, w. of William Carter. Susan Lawrence m. (2) John Wise, whose will was given, *ante*, Vol. XXII, p. 14. The first clue to the fate of Francis Bristowe's children is here given. Nicholas and Francis were living in 1630, Francis his daughter had married a Colt and Jane had

“In the name of God Amen The Sixe and twentieth daye of June in the yeare of our Lord God One thousand sixe hundred thirty And in the sixt yeare of the Raigne of o’r Sovereigne Lord Kinge Charles by the grace of God of England Fraunce and Ireland Kinge defender of the faith &c I SUSAN WISE of the parish of Hartingfordbury in the Countie of Hartford Widowe beinge of good and perfect memory thankes be to God therefore, doe make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I most humbly commend my soule to Allmightie God that gave it, by whose mercies in Jesus Christ my redeemer I hope to be saved It’m I will vnto the poore fiftie shillinges, that is to the poore of Hartingfordbury, Thirtie shillinges And to the poore of St. Andrus in Hartford twentie shillinges Item I give for a remembrance of my love unto my welbeloved brother Mr JOHN JEEVE of Much Wimely my gold Ringe with the Curnelion stone, and to my deare Sister Mrs ANNE JEEVE his wife my bugle gowne Kirtle and wastcoates and my best hatt and stuffe cloke Item I will vnto my welbeloved Sonne in lawe Mr FRANCES BRISTOWE my gold Ringe with the purple stone w^{ch} is an Amites And to my daughter ANNE his wife my best gowne Kirtle and wastcoate being furgred grograine and my best petticoate being crimson tustaffitie and five pounds in money Item to each of my two grand-daughters FRANCES COLT and JANE WINGFEELD halfe a dozen of silver spoones of fortie five shillinges the dozen Item to each of their brothers NICHOLAS and FRAUNCIS fortie shillinges in money Item I will vnto my grandchildren of my sonne and daughter VERNON to their sonnes fortie shillinges apeece And to their daughters to each of them halfe a dozen of silver

married a Wingfield. Susan mentions the children of her stepson Henry Darnall of Birds Place, Essendon and she also mentions Katherine Hall daughter of her sister, the wife of Rowland Hall. We learn for the first time, too that she had an Aunt Goold whose daughter was Elizabeth Pall. “Mrs. Susan Darnall” was named by Dame Frances Butler in her will above as a suitable person to watch over her daughter Jane, who became the wife of John, Lord Belasyse the Catholic Peer (1614-1689).

spoones of the same price as before to my other grandchildren
Item I will vnto my daughter SUSAN DARNALL my great
gilt salt my little guilt trencher salte two little guilt boles and
the halfe dozen of gilt spoones marked with an S. a featherbed,
boulster, pillowe a paire of blanketts w^{ch} my Sister JEEVE
hath in her keeping for her, But my will is that she shall not
fetch it from her Aunt soe longe as she liveth except Shee
willingly spare it Also I have put vp some linnen in a truncke
w^{ch} my daughter MARIE hath the keepinge of, w^{ch} my will
is shalbe equallie devided betweene them two further I will
vnto my daughter MARIE my two silverwhite boles and my
two little purled boles and my guilt castinge bottle, one of my
best featherbedds with the boulster a paire of pillowes and a
paire of blanketts Item I will vnto my Godson JOHN DAR-
NALL a peece of twentie two shillinges to make him a Ringe
And to my goddaughter his sister SUSAN Twentie shillinges
in money and one of my gownes which is not bequeathed, And
to each of her brothers half a peece in gold And to my loving
friend their mother a little Ringe ready made of tenne Shil-
linges price for her to weare in a remembrance of mee and my
best stuffe cloke Item I will vnto KATERNE HALL my
Sisters daughter five pounds Item I will vnto ELIZABETH
PALL my Aunt GOOLDES daughter twentie shillinges (if
she be living, if she be not liveinge Then to her daughter
ELIZABETH PALL w^{ch} liveth in London Nowe I livinge
here with my sonne and daughter VERNON and my poore
estate that I have is neere about them Therefore I entreat them
to be my Executrixes And because I am in debt and cleere
without any money to performe those my legacies, therefore
my will is that they shall receive one halfe yeares rent next
after my death of my rentes of my houses at Westminster in
Helmet Alley in Kingstreete toward the payinge of theise
legacies and my debts. And then after the end of that yeare
I give and bequeath All those my said rentes and houses and
all that belongeth vnto them vnto my fower daughters ANNE
BRISTOWE, for her life, and then to her sonne NICHOLAS

after her death and to his heires forever and ELIZABETH VERNON and my Godson to her sonne FRANCES after her And his heires forever, And soe to SUSAN and MARY DARNALL and to theire heires forever. Now concerninge my buriall my desire is that my corpes maie be laid in Hartingfordbury Chauncell as neere my husband DARNALL as conveniently it maie be, Alsoe my earnest desire is that my buriall maie be as privately in the evening and with as little charges as in desensie it maye And soe of this my last will and testament I ordaine and make my welbeloved sonne and daughter Mr CHRISTOPHER VERNON and ELIZABETH his wife my sole Executrixes In witnes wherof I have sett to my name with my owne hand By me SUSAN WISE. Published and delivered by the said SUSAN WISE in the presence of JANE WINGFEILD The mark of NICHOLAS FURNACE HENRY FURNACE.

Now this my will beinge of my owne makinge wth out any advice of any bodie that had skill to doe such a thinge And I confesse I myselfe have noe knowledge in the lawe, Therefore if there want words to make all sure that I have sett downe and given in this my last will Neverthesse I desire and charge both my heires and Executrixes that my plaine meaninge as I have writt it maie be honestly and iustly performed as I surely hope it shall

SUSAN WISE "

(P. C. C. St. John 112.)

Proved; 18 October, 1631, by CHRISTOPHER VERNON, and ELIZABETH VERNON, the executors named in the will. (Abstract.)

The Will of Dame FRANCES BUTLER, widow, of Woodhall, Herts, dated 10 June, 1624. (Abstract by Miss Lucy Drucker of 118a Alexandra Road, London, N. W. 8.)

I desire to be buried in the parish church of Watton at Stone as near my late husband Sir ROBERT BUTLER as may be,

& I give to the poor of that parish — — —. My said husband gave me sole Executrix of his will and gave me all his movable goods and chattels and before making his will he assured certain lands to his sole daughter and heir my daughter JANE and I was to have the wardship of her; but Sir JOHN BUTLER, contrary to the trust reposed on him and to the King's instructions has deprived me of the same and procured a grant of her body and lands to himself and JOHN BUTLER, my brother, has impeached all the lands etc. my husband meant for me and my child and I have had and still have to defend many suits about the same. I desire my executors to get the said wardship away from him and if possible to have Mrs CLIFFORD or Mrs SUSAN DARNALL placed near to attend her. Sir JOHN showed little love to my late husband in his lifetime and less now, giving out he will sell the parsonage of Higham and the manor of Higham, and whereas JOHN PEARLES bought pasture called Gobions Pasture in the Manor of Streatley, Bedfordshire and was to pay £655 and paid a great part of it, I state the same is not parcel of Higham manor. Executors, my brothers, Sir JOHN DEANE, Knt., and DREW DRURY, Esq., my cousin FRANCIS BRISTOWE and Mr CHRISTOPHER VERNON. All my estate to my daughter at her age of 17; if she die before to be buried beside her father and me. Signed; FR. BUTLER. Witnesses; EDWARD CALVERT, JOHN DARNALL, WALTER PARKHURST. To my cousin FRANCIS BRISTOWE £100 he says I owe him which I suppose is true although I cannot remember it. Although all I have said about Sir JOHN BUTLER and JOHN BUTLER my brother is true, I forgive them. (P. C. C. Goare 29)

Proved; 10 Feb., 1636/7 by CHRISTOPHER VERNON, power reserved to FRANCIS BRISTOWE, when he shall apply for same, DRURY DEANE Esq. being dead.

The Will of RICHARD BOTELE^r,⁷ Esq. of Stapleford, Herts, dated 26 Apr., 1614. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

To be buried in Parish Church of Watton at Stone where some of my ancestors are buried. To wife ANNE BOTELE^r dwelling in Stapleford for life, then in trust to my especial good friends and kinsmen Sir JOHN FERRIS, Knt., SIR JOHN BOTELE^r, Knt., Sir ROBERT BOTELE^r, Knt., cousin NICHOLAS BOTELE^r, Esq., cousin WILLIAM BUGGYN, Esq., and FRANCIS BOTELE^r, son of my late brother GEORGE BOTELE^r, Esq.; to loving cousin Mr. WILLIAM BOTELE^r of Watton "as to whom I have always wished especially well"; to RICHARD BOTELE^r his son £50 and to his other five children, ANNE, GRACE, JOHN, NICHOLAS and FRANCES, unmarried and under 21; to cousin THOMAS BUTLER, son of brother Sir JOHN BUTLER; to cousin WILLIAM BOTELE^r, son of my brother WILLIAM BOTELE^r, and to his son WILLIAM and also to his son CHARLES BOTELE^r, and to his three daughters MYRABELLA, JONE and ANNE; to THOMAS BOTELE^r son of my brother ANTHONY BOTELE^r, and to his brother EDMOND BOTELE^r; to THOMAS BOTELE^r, son of my brother FRANCIS; to Mr. JOHN STUKE minister of Stapleford; to BUTTLER BUGGIN my godson; to EDWARD PYANER the younger; to GERMAN MOSSE late my household servant; to MICHILL BEDLE my servant; to ALICE MARTIN my true and faithful servant; to KATHERINE KETTELL niece to my loving wife; to all household servants; wife ANN BOTELE^r to be

⁷ The will of Richard Boteler corrects the statement made by the pedigree in Clutterbuck's *Herts*, Vol. II, p. 476, that he was the son of Sir John Boteler and Grizel Roche. They were brothers, and sons, probably, of Sir Philip Boteler and Elizabeth Drury. Richard's wife Ann Mynn was the aunt and godmother of Ann Mynn, Lady Calvert. His nephew Nicholas Boteler became the step-father of Ann Calvert when he married Elizabeth Wroth, widow of George Mynn.

sole executrix; overseers, Sir JOHN BOTELE and Sir ROBERT BOTELE; Signed RICHARD BOTELE. Witnesses, WILLM BOTELE, WM. BUGGYNS, WM. CHAMBERS, JOHN STUKE, FRAN: STONE, JOHN SCARFEILD, MICHAELL BEADELL, ROBERT DUPPA. (P. C. C. Lawe 41)

Proved; 24 May, 1614 by ANNE, relict and executrix.

The Will of RICHARD DARNELL ⁸ of Castle Frome, Hereford, dated 12 Nov., 1617. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

To be buried in parish Church of Castle Frome; to kinsman JOHN VICKERS £20 which he says he paid for me to Mr. WILLIAM UNETT; to every one of JOHN VICKERS' children; to SYBIL SAWYER, my servant; to LEONARD JEFFERES; to ANNE SMYTH, JANE JENKINS and JULYAN MASON my servants; to JOHN FREEMAN the elder of Castle Frome; to RICHARD WOLSTE: to kinswoman ANNE TEALE, widow; to her three children RICHARD TEALE, MARGERY TEALE and ANNE TEALE; to Mr. JOHN JAUNCEY my brother in law and ELEANOR his wife and every one of their children; to WILLIAM HETHERIDGE: to kinswoman ELINOR TEALE £50 if she shall be ruled by my wife in marriage; Mrs. ELIZABETH BROMWICH to continue to occupy my houses in the City of Hereford; to THOMAS VICKERES son of JOHN VICKERES and his heires a house in St. Owens Gate, Hereford City where ROWLAND BURGHILL lately lived; to MARGARET my wife a stable in the City of Hereford late used by Mrs. GRYSMOND, widow; to JANE HEWES, my sister's daughter, holdings in Much Malverne, Worcestershire; with remainder to her son ROBERT HEWES: to servant WILLIAM HETHERIDGE

⁸ Richard Darnell of Castle Frome is seen; *ante*, Vol. XXII, p. 5, to have sold some Hertfordshire lands to John Darnall of Essendon. The will above may furnish some clue to John Darnall's ancestry.

lands I bought of HUGH ENSALL, now occupied by JOHN GRAFTON in Upper Eggleton in Parish of Busshopps Frome, Herefordshire; to MARGARET DARNALL my now wife lands in parishes of Stretton Granson, Busshopps Frome, Ledbury and Yorkhill, Hereford, except that now in possession of JOHN GRAFTON, with remainder to WILLIAM PARROTT my sister's son; wife MARGARET SOLE EXECUTIX: Signed RICHARD DARNELL; Witnesses, JOHN JAUNCY, RICHARD SEYCELL, JOHN FREEMAN, RICHARD FREEMAN, WILLIAM HETHERIDGE, THOMAS PARKINS, THOMAS LAWRENCE. (P. C. C. Weldon 119)

Proved; 12 Dec., 1617 by MARGARET DARNELL, relict and executrix.

The Will of ANDREW JEVE of Baldock, Herts, gent., dated 5 June, 1628. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

To be buried in Baldock Church; to brother JAMES JEVE of Baldock and JAMES, his son; To ANN HORNE widow my sister; WILLIAM JEVE my nephew, son of brother JOHN JEVE, to be executor. Signed ANDREW JEVE, his mark. To nephew WILLIAM JEVE land in Willion, Herts, where I now dwell. Witnesses, JOHN YARDLEY, FRANCIS GRAY. (P. C. C. Audley 65)

19 June, 1632, commission granted to JAMES JEVE, executor of will of WILLIAM JEVE deceased, while living executor of ANDREW JEVE, to administer goods of ANDREW, said WILLIAM being dead.

The Will of WILLIAM JEVE⁹ of Offelie, Herts, dated 12 Aug., 1631. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

⁹ William Jevé was the son of John Jevé, of Wymondley, Herts, and Anne Lawrence, a first cousin of Ann Mynn, Lady Calvert, through her mother Elizabeth Mynn sister of George Mynn, Ann Calvert's father. He

To be buried in church or churchyard of Offelie; to sister WINIFRED FABIUS of Cambridge; "to my fellowes which are my masters s'vants in the place of Servingmen" 10s. each; "to my Masters servants which are husbandmen, 5s. each"; to the maid servants, 5s. each, but to Mrs. ANNE CONINGBIE, 10s.; to my fellow ROBERT PIERESON, £5; to minister of Offelie; to my godchildren; to JAMES, son of cousin JAMES JEVE of Baldock, the house and land in Baldock given me by uncle ANDREW JEVE; JAMES JEVE the elder to be my sole executor. Signed, WILLIAM JEVE, his mark. Witnesses, JO: SPENCER, THOMAS READE. (P. C. C. Audley 65)

Proved; 19 June, 1632, by JAMES JEVE, the executor named in the will.

The Will of GEORGE KETTLE,¹⁰ gent., of Kings Langley, Herts, dated 15 July, 1591. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

Entering the wars; to JOHN KETTLE eldest brother, goods bequeathed by JOHN KETTLE, gent, my father, in his will; to RAFFE KETTLE my second brother; to CHRISTOPHER KETTLE my younger brother; to FRANCES KETTLE my only sister; to RICHARD ADAMS, minister of Kings

was mentioned by Ann Boteler, his great aunt, in her will (*ante*, Vol. XXI, p. 317).

¹⁰ George Kettell was a son of John Kettell, gent., of King's Langley, Herts. Katherine Kettell was a "niece" of Ann (Mynn) Boteler and presumably also of George Mynn, father of Ann, Lady Calvert, but the relationship cannot be explained by this writer, unfortunately. The children of John Kettell, gent., of Kings Langley, Herts, buried there Aug., 1587, were; (1) John who m. 11 Sept. 1582, Mrs. Barbara Villiers, widow; (2) Ralph, President of Trinity College, Oxford during the years when Cecilus, 2nd Lord Baltimore was enrolled there (*Dict. of Nat. Biog.*); (3) Christopher of Trinity College, Oxford; (4) George, gent., of Kings Langley and of Trinity College, Oxford; (5) Frances who m. a Feild. It will be noticed that some of these Kettles were mentioned by Ann Boteler in her will (*ante*, Vol. XXI, pp. 315-6) and that John Wise mentioned his cousin Feild (*ante*, Vol. XXII, p. 20).

Langley; to EDMUND ROOFE of said parish for a gift to my godson; brother RAUFFE KETTLE sole executor; my eldest brother JOHN KETTLE stands bound to me, etc. Signed, GEORGE KETTELL. Witnesses, FRAUNCES BUTLER, Signu JOHNIS SPENCER. (P. C. C. Nevill 8)

Proved; 31 January, 1592/3, by the executor named in the will.

The Will of WALTER TOOKE,¹¹ Esq., of Popes, Hatfield, Herts dated 26 Nov., 1609. (Abstract; copy of will in full in Md. Hist. Soc. Mss. Coll.)

To be buried in chancel of Wormeley Church next to first wife who lies there; to wife JANE, household stuff in London house; house in Popes; to younger sons except FRANCIS; to son JOHN; to ROBERT LOVELACE of Cambridge my ring with a death's head which his uncle LAUNCELOT gave to me; right in the parsonage house of St. Lawrence in London; to son WILLIAM; to son JOHN; to son THOMAS; to son FRANCIS; myself, son JOHN and Mr. CHURCHILL are securities for son FRANCIS; my wife JANE'S brother Sir JAMES BACON, Kt.; to son RAFFE jewels which were "my old wyves"; lands in Hatfield and Essendon Herts, household goods at Popes and Wormeley; son RAFFE, sole executor;

¹¹ Walter Tooke, Auditor of the Court of Wards and Liveries, was the son of William Tooke and Alice Barley, and nephew of Luce, wife of Nicholas Bristowe. He was somehow related to Robert Carter of Hatfield, whose will was published, *ante*, Vol. XXII, p. 122. Walter Tooke's first wife, Angelette Woodliffe or Woodcliffe, dau. of Wm. Woodliffe and Elizabeth Fisher of Wormeley, Herts, d. 31 May, 1598 and was buried in the chancel of Wormeley Church. His second wife was Jane, dau. of John Goldstone of London. Walter Tooke's niece Mary Tooke m. Henry Darnall of Essendon, Herts and thus, probably is the ancestress of all the Maryland Darnalls. There is considerable material upon this important family to be found in Cussan's *Herts*, Vol. II, Hertford Section, pp. 249-253; Andrew's *Memorial Brasses of Herts*, p. 20; Chauncey's *Herts*, Vol. I, p. 571; Clutterbuck's *Herts*, Vol. II, pp. 234 et seq. 351; V. of *Herts*, Harleian, p. 167; Berry's *Herts Pedigrees*, p. 71.

friends and cousins ROBERT CARTER and JOHN NEWCE, gentlemen, overseers; dwelling house in London; Signed, WALTER TOOKE. Witnesses, WILLIAM DIGHTON, FRAMLEE: GABRIELL PEEDLE. (P. C. C. Dorset 109)

Proved; 1, Dec., 1609 by RALPH TOOKE, son of deceased and executor.

(To be concluded)

COLONIAL RECORDS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY.

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Baltimore County was created in 1659. Baltimore City grew up within the county and was a part of it until the state constitution effective on July 4, 1851, made the city a political unit separate from Baltimore County. When the details of separation were finally completed, the county records that had accumulated in the court house in Baltimore City remained where they were. Baltimore County erected a new court house at Towson and the clerk's land records therein begin in December, 1851. Baltimore City, in the same month, began a new series of land records, continuing from the older county records.

Of the earlier colonial record books of the old county few exist in their original form. The earliest records probably were thin account books wherein the clerks entered court minutes, conveyances, and miscellany in such order as they came to hand. None of these books have survived. It seems to have been in 1672 that the clerk began to segregate conveyances from court minutes, sometimes using the same book for both, but keeping them separated therein. About 1690 the clerk returned to the practice of intermingling the records, but in 1698 his successor restored them to separateness, and since about 1700 the land papers and court minutes have been in distinct volumes.

When the 18th century opened, the county was forty years

old and the record books probably were showing the effects of much use. It seems to have been sometime about 1705 that the transcribing of the older records was begun. By 1741 there were four volumes of such transcriptions. It was in this year that Thomas Brerewood put on record a descriptive statement of the books transferred to him when he took office. His list described 16 books of conveyances, among which were the four transcription volumes mentioned. It is stated also that there were "several small books in bad order, consisting of deeds of gift, bills of sales, servants indentures, marks, brands, births of children and marriages, the libers of them not plainly to be discovered." As to the court records, the same document described 15 volumes by title and contents, the earliest dating from 1708. It is said that "the court's proceedings from the year sixteen hundred sixty five to seventeen hundred and eight are regularly entered but the books decayed and broken out of their binding." The condition of being decayed is rather chronic with record books, but the greater part of those on Brerewood's list and those of his successors have survived to the present day. All the colonial records are now properly shelved and for the most part are in good condition. Capable bindery work is slowly restoring the poorest of them by modern methods of using protective tissue to preserve defective leaves.

Title marking of the books in alphabetical series was begun in 1672. The alphabet seems to have been carried from A to H and then abandoned, the personal initials of the clerks being used thereafter for back-title marking. The use of initials has continued to the present time. On some of the old transcription volumes the practice was varied by using the initials of the transcriber instead of those of the clerk. An effort seems to have been made in the 18th century to differentiate the land and court records series from one another by certain styles of title marking, but the effort was poorly sustained.

Expansion of the clerk's office organization has resulted in a division of the colonial records between two subsidiary offices of the clerk of the Superior Court. The old county court

records are now grouped by themselves in one of the rooms of the legal department. The old conveyance records are with the Record Office, being at present in custody of the chattel mortgage section of that office. The few exceptions to this arrangement are duly mentioned hereafter.

The list immediately following covers the colonial land records only. There are 52 existing volumes of these. Transcription volumes are listed according to dates of transcription, with a brief analysis of contents. In order to arrange the records matter in chronological order, the component parts of transcription volumes are also described separately in their proper sequence as to time of original record.

Liber O L L, now missing, was a court register beginning as early as the session of July 20, 1661, and having at least 61 folios of contents, which extended to the session of September 13, 1665. In 1729 such of its contents as related to land, embracing 42 entries, were copied into pages 1-13 of Liber R M No. H S. John Collett was clerk during the period of the original book.

Liber I C No. A, now missing, was a court register volume, made probably in the time of the clerk John Stokes by binding together several of the old record booklets. The assembled volume had 531 pages and was given as title the initials of John Collett, clerk in 1665-1669. The book began with deeds recorded probably at the session of September, 1665. Session records and other matter extended from then to about March, 1676-77, and were supplemented by three entries of 1679. The clerk Wriothsley combed part of this material to make his Liber H W No. A B. After him someone, probably Stokes, gleaned from it about 50 documents that are now copied on pages 1-62 of I S No. I K.

Liber H W No. A B, now missing, was a transcription volume made probably about 1705 by the clerk Henry Wriothsley from court registers covering the period from the session of August, 1666, to that of June, 1672. John Collett was clerk from 1666 to 1669 and Thomas Salmon from 1669 to 1672. The transcription volume had 271 pages. Its contents were finally copied into the former I R No. P P and now occupy pages 54-128 of the recopied I R No. P P. They embrace 156 entries, which are very largely brief forms of conveyance by acknowledgements at court sessions.

Liber G No. J, marked "1672 to 1675," contains 370 pages of conveyances recorded from June, 1672, to October, 1676. This volume is perhaps the oldest existing book of the original records. Presumably it was at first called Liber A, but its title had changed to G No. 1 as early

as 1741, when Brerewood listed it, and still was G No. 1 about 1750 when a transcription was made. The original volume is much worn and poorly patched. The transcription of its contents occupies pages 1-276 of T R No. R A, which carry about 100 conveyance entries. Edward Williams was appointed clerk in April, 1672, and perhaps held place until his appointment to Cecil County in 1675, but his name appears nowhere in the record book of his time.

Liber L C No. 1, now missing, was a conveyance record with about 40 entries of papers recorded from October, 1676, to October, 1680. These entries, according to the record, were originally in Liber B, from which they were copied into L C, a book of 217 pages. Another copying carried them into the former I R No. P P and a later copying leaves them on pages 1-54 of the existing I R No. P P. Henry Johnson was clerk in 1678 and perhaps served from 1675 to 1679. In the latter year Thomas Hedge began his long service as clerk.

Liber without reference designation, now known only by transcribed entries, may have been a part of old Liber C. It carried entries of about 40 conveyances, recorded from June, 1681, to August, 1682. These now appear on pages 118-198 of I R No. A M. The original record was made under Thomas Hedge.

Liber E No. 1 is the reference designation of a record now missing, presumably part of original Liber E. Its contents were conveyances recorded from November, 1682, to November, 1686. Thomas Hedge was clerk. These entries occupied 274 pages of the source volume and numbered some 160 items. In 1729 they were copied into pages 14-208 of R M No. H S. The deputy clerks begin to be mentioned in 1686.

Liber F No. 2, marked "1686" is a book of conveyances with 192 pages, carrying about 100 entries recorded from October, 1686, to August, 1689. Four more pages carry the text of the act of 1684 "for the reviving the temporarie laws of this province." Thomas Hedge was clerk. The volume is in modern binding, with its leaves covered with crepine tissue. A transcription of its contents, except the act, is on pages 208-320 of R M No. H S. The original volume is now kept with the court records.

Liber E No. 2 is the reference designation of a missing record which carried nine land papers, nine wills, and one trial entry. The dates of these documents range from 1688 to 1691. The original record was probably a court register occupying pages 416-457 of old Liber E and the papers apparently were recorded at or near the court session of August, 1691. In 1729 these papers were copied into pages 320-332 and 345 of R M No. H S.

Liber F No. 1 is a court records volume which contains intermingled court minutes and conveyances recorded from November, 1691, to August, 1693, in the clerkship of Thomas Hedge. There are about 70 conveyance papers in the book and these were transcribed in 1729 into pages 333-390 of R M No. H S.

Liber without reference designation, known only by transcribed entries, carried 29 conveyance papers which seem to have been recorded at or near the court session of August, 1693. Three documents of 1697 also appear, being probably interpolations in the original record. The transcript of these conveyances is on pages 66-118 of I R No. A M. The original record was perhaps a part of G No. 1, but must have been detached before 1729.

Liber G No. 1 is a court records volume having court minutes and conveyances intermingled, Thomas Hedge being clerk. At least 18 pages of the original volume are now missing. The conveyances were those recorded from June, 1694, to June, 1696, and to these another was added in 1697 by interpolation. In 1729 the conveyances were transcribed into volume R M No. H S of land records, on pages 390-533, 688-689. The 18 pages now missing were at that time existent and were included in the transcript.

Liber H H No. G, now missing, seems to have been a court register of 675 pages containing sessions minutes and interim entries of conveyances and miscellany. At some time before 1741 copy of 39 entries from it was made into pages 62-264 of I S No. I K. The earliest of these appear to have been recorded at the session of March, 1696-97. The series runs to entries made at the session of June, 1698, and an indenture of 1700 has been added at the end. The first 35 pages of the original are not represented in the transcript and probably bore the court session of November, 1696. The lost original, made while Thomas Hedge was clerk, was probably Liber H of the old alphabet series. The transcript has on page 86 a survey record of the county line and on page 214 a description of the new court house property in the forks of Gunpowder River.

Liber H W No. A, now missing, was a conveyance record of 174 pages, presumably occupying a portion of a court register book, but not mixed with the court minutes. Its contents embraced about 80 documents recorded from August, 1698, to July, 1700. They close with a certificate of appointment of John Hall on October 9, 1700, to be deputy farmer of the proprietary rents. The transcription of the record is on pages 277-422 of T R No. R A. The original record book carried the initials of the clerk Henry Wriothsley.

Liber H W No. 2, marked "1700 to 1704," is a book of conveyances recorded from March, 1700-01, to October, 1704. The pages are numbered 1-376. The book as it now is seems to be only a portion of the original liber and may be a transcription. Another part of the original liber, with 146 pages, had become detached before 1741 and is now missing, but is represented by a copy on pages 118-198 of the recopied I R No. P P. This portion carries 32 documents recorded from March, 1704-05, to October, 1705.

Liber without reference designation, known only by transcribed entries,

had 28 conveyance documents recorded from November, 1705, to June, 1706, by the clerk Henry Wriothesley. The transcript is on pages 1-66 of I R No. A M. The original matter was probably a detached part of another liber.

Liber H W No. 3, now missing, was a conveyance record of 182 pages with about 70 entries made from June, 1707, to June, 1709, closing the service of the clerk Henry Wriothesley and beginning that of John Stokes. In 1729 the contents of the record were copied into pages 534-659 of R M No. H S.

Liber I S No. A, now missing, was a volume of conveyances made when John Stokes was clerk. A portion was transcribed in 1729 but the volume was still in use when Brerewood made his list. Apparently it went to pieces later and its several fragments were copied elsewhere. The original book had 715 pages, which are distributed by transcriptions. (a) Original pages 1-430, which bore papers recorded from August, 1709, to March, 1717-18, now appear on transcript pages 1-549 of T R No. A. (b) Original pages 431-513, which bore papers recorded from March, 1717-18, to June, 1719, now are on transcript pages 422-560 of T R No. R A. (c) Original pages 513-664, which bore records made from about August, 1719, to August, 1721, are now on transcript pages 1-341 of T R No. D S. (d) Original pages 664-715, which bore records made November, 1721, to June, 1722, are now on transcript pages 659-687 of R M No. H S.

Liber I R No. A M, marked "1681 to 1706," is a transcription volume of 198 pages whose contents are described more fully elsewhere. It bears the initials of its maker, who may be identified by a notation on page 195 as John Roberts. The copy is not dated. Roberts was long connected with the clerk's office. As late as 1717 he countersigned the court register for the regular clerk, and as the penmanship of the book agrees with that time the year 1717 may be taken as the approximate date of the transcription. The book appears on Brerewood's list in 1741. Roberts drew his material from three earlier books but does not mention their titles. (a) Pages 1-66 are papers recorded in 1705 and 1706, in Wriothesley's time. (b) Pages 66-118 are records of 1683, in Hedge's time. (c) Pages 118-198 are records of 1681 and 1682, in Hedge's time.

Liber I R No. P P, marked "1663 to 1705," is a transcription volume of 198 pages. It is a modern copy, made in 1892, from an older book made probably about 1717 by the copyist John Roberts. The older book was listed in 1741 by Brerewood. The contents, described in detail elsewhere, are from three sources. (a) Pages 1-54 are records of 1676 to 1680 derived from L C No. 1. (b) Pages 54-128 are records of 1666 to 1672 derived from H W No. A B. (c) Pages 118-198, which overlap the preceding, are records of 1705 derived from H W No. 2.

Liber I S No. G, marked "1721 to 1724," has 415 pages of conveyances.

Flyleaf legend says the book was begun December 29, 1721. Its last record of conveyances was made March 24, 1724-25. Following the conveyances are three pages of ship notices of 1724-1726. Eight more pages carry signatures made from March, 1723-24, to November, 1727, as subscriptions to the anti-Jacobin and transubstantiation oaths.

Liber IS No. H, marked "1724 to 1726," contains in 442 pages the conveyances recorded from March, 1724-25, to September, 1727. Beginning on page 5 the clerk entered more or less regularly the dates when each document was received and recorded. Succeeding record books continued the practice.

Liber IS No. I, marked "1727 to 1729," has 325 pages carrying conveyances recorded from November, 1727, to May, 1729, and two added papers of August, 1729.

Liber RM No. HS, marked "1659 to 1725," is a transcription volume of 689 pages, made in 1729 by the copyists Roger Mathews and Humphrey Wells Stokes. In recent years the volume has been taken apart, the leaves covered with crepeline, and the whole rebound in the form of three separate books, without change of the original paging. Its contents are derived from a number of older libers. (a) Pages 1-13 are records of 1661 to 1665 from O L L. (b) Pages 14-208 are records of 1682 to 1686 from E No. 1. (c) Pages 208-320 are records of 1686 to 1689 from F No. 2. (d) Pages 320-332, 345, are records of 1691 from E No. 2. (e) Pages 333-390 are records of 1691 to 1693 from F No. 1. (f) Pages 390-533, and 688-689, are records of 1694 to 1696 from G No. 1. (g) Pages 534-659 are records of 1707 to 1709 from H W No. 3. (h) Pages 659-687 are records of 1721 and 1722 from IS No. A.

Liber IS No. K, marked "1727 to 1731," has 333 pages of conveyances, mostly the current records from June, 1729, to August, 1730. The last 41 pages contain papers recorded from September, 1730, to November, 1731, which period is also covered by the succeeding volume.

Liber IS No. L, without year notation in back-title, has 441 pages of conveyances recorded from August, 1730, to November, 1733.

Liber marked "No. 3 Land Commissions J W S 1727-1737," is a record of acts of commissioners appointed to fix property boundaries, their proceedings extending from June, 1727, to June, 1737. The book has 256 pages. John Stokes was clerk until 1732 and H. Wells Stokes thereafter. In the Brerewood list of 1741 it was titled H W S No. 3 and was listed as a land record. It is now a part of the court records.

Liber H W S No. M, marked "1730 to 1736," is a conveyance record of 436 pages, carrying entries made from November, 1733, to August, 1736, with some additions of April, 1737. The back-title indication of years is plainly in error.

Liber H W S No. 4, marked "Aug. 1737 to Nov. 1762," is a sequel to the preceding liber and like it is kept with the court records. It con-

tinues the proceedings of commissioners on land boundaries, from August, 1737, to November, 1762.

Liber I S No. I K, marked "1665 to 1737," is in part a transcription volume and in part a current record. Its penmanship and back-title indicate that it was opened about 1727 by the clerk John Stokes, to receive copied material from two older books. Accordingly (a) pages 1-62 have records of 1665 to 1679 derived from I C No. A and (b) pages 62-264 have records of 1697 to 1700 derived from H H No. G. Later the volume was used by H. Wells Stokes to carry conveyances recorded from September, 1736, to September, 1737, on its pages 266-535.

Liber H W S No. I A, marked "1737 to 1740," has 571 pages of contents which mostly are conveyances recorded from September, 1737, to October, 1741. These are the closing years of H. Wells Stokes as clerk. Some documents of 1741 and 1749 were entered later. On pages 567-570 are the lists of record books delivered to Thomas Brerewood in 1741.

Liber T B No. A, marked "1741 to 1742," is a conveyance record of the clerk Thomas Brerewood. It has 247 pages and its contents were entered from October, 1741, to August, 1742, with a later addition of October, 1742.

Liber T B No. C, marked "1742-45," has 700 pages of conveyances. Pages 1-667 carry current entries from September, 1742, to January, 1744-45. Pages 668-700 carry addenda of irregular dating extending to March, 1745-46.

Liber T B No. D, marked "1744-5," is a transcription volume in which an older book of the same title, then "mutilated by decay," was copied in 1892. It has 440 pages carrying conveyances recorded from February, 1744-45, to February, 1745-46, with additions of June and July, 1746.

Liber T B No. E, marked "1745 to 1747," is a conveyance liber of 730 pages with contents recorded from February, 1745-46, to July, 1748. The book was begun by Thomas Brerewood and completed by Talbot Risteau, who took office in 1747.

Liber T R No. A, marked "1709 to 1717," is a transcription volume made apparently by Talbot Risteau and showing penmanship like that used in the record books about 1750. The book has 549 pages, all occupied by records made from 1709 to 1718 and derived from I S No. A.

Liber T R No. D S, marked "1717 to 1721," is also a transcription volume. It bears records of 1719 to 1721, derived from I S No. A and continuing the matter in T R No. A. It has 341 pages. It was made probably about 1750. The leaves are now brittle and crumbling.

Liber T R No. R A, marked "1672 to 1718," is a transcription volume made probably about 1750. Some of its leaves are badly broken. Its 560 pages carry material from three sources. (a) Pages 1-276 bear

records of 1672 to 1676 constituting a copy of Liber G No. J. (b) Pages 277-422 bear records of 1698 to 1700 derived from HW No. A. (c) Pages 422-560 bear records of 1718 and 1719 derived from IS No. A.

Liber TR No. C, marked "1748 to 1750," has 560 pages of conveyances recorded from July, 1748, to August, 1750.

Liber TR No. D, marked "1750 to 1753," has 568 pages of conveyances recorded from August, 1750, to July, 1753.

Liber TR No. E, marked "1750 to 1757," is a book of miscellaneous records recorded from August, 1750, to May, 1757. It was begun by Talbot Ristean and completed by his successor, Beale Bordley. Contents are largely livestock marks and stray notices, but include also chattel mortgages, powers of attorney, bills of sale, and ship notices. It has 245 pages. At page 135 are bound in some folios from the rough minutes of the court session of February, 1785.

Liber BB No. I, marked "1755-57," is a modern transcript of 1892 from the older book of that title. It has 685 pages. The book was begun in July, 1753, by Talbot Ristean, was taken over in August, 1753, by Beale Bordley, and was completed in June, 1757.

Liber B No. G, marked "1757 to 1759," is a book of 534 pages with conveyances recorded from June, 1757, to about November, 1759, by Beale Bordley.

Liber B No. H, marked "1759 to 1761," has 542 pages of conveyances recorded from about November, 1759, to March, 1761.

Liber B No. I, marked "1761 to 1762," is a book of 529 pages with conveyances recorded from March, 1761, to March, 1762.

Liber B No. K, marked "1762 to 1763," has 532 pages of conveyances recorded from March, 1762, to January, 1763.

Liber B No. L, without other back-title, has 540 pages of conveyances recorded from January to November, 1763.

Liber B No. M, marked "1763 to 1764," continues the conveyances from November, 1763, to March, 1764, in 542 pages.

Liber unlettered, marked "1763 to 1773," has 454 numbered pages of livestock marks, slave transfers, chattel mortgages, and other miscellany dated from December, 1763, to February, 1773. Following these are 66 unnumbered pages of estrays recorded from January, 1764, to August, 1773. A flyleaf carrying title B No. G apparently comes from an earlier volume.

Liber B No. N, marked "1764," has 473 pages of conveyances and about 200 blank. Contents were recorded from May to December, 1764.

Liber B No. O, marked "1764.5," has 725 pages of conveyances recorded from January to October, 1765. Some of the leaves are represented by modern transcripts.

- Liber B No. P, marked "1765 to 1767," has 736 pages of conveyances entered from October, 1765, to September, 1767.
- Liber B No. Q, marked "1767-68," is the final volume of the clerk Beale Bordley. It has 741 pages, with conveyance records from September, 1767, to January, 1769.
- Liber A L No. A, marked "1769-70," is the first of the conveyance books of the clerk Alexander Lawson. It has 763 pages, with records from January, 1769, to March, 1770.
- Liber A L No. B, marked "1770-1," has 737 pages of conveyances recorded from March, 1770, to January, 1771.
- Liber A L No. C, marked "1771," has 751 pages of conveyances recorded from January to September, 1771.
- Liber A L No. D, marked "1771-2," has 749 pages of conveyances entered from September, 1771, to May, 1772.
- Liber A L No. E, marked "1772," has 434 pages of conveyances entered from May to September, 1772.
- Liber A L No. F, marked "1772 to 1773," has 531 pages of conveyances entered from September, 1772, to February, 1773.
- Liber A L No. G, marked "1773," has 518 pages of conveyances recorded from February to August, 1773.
- Liber A L No. H, without dated title, has 534 pages of conveyances entered from August, 1773, to January, 1774.
- Liber A L No. I, marked "1774," has 529 pages of conveyances recorded from February to May, 1774.
- Liber A L No. K, marked "1774," has 521 pages of conveyances entered from May to September, 1774.
- Liber A L No. L, marked "1774 to 1775," has 559 pages of conveyances entered from September, 1774, to January, 1775.
- Liber A L No. M, marked "1775," has 582 pages of conveyances recorded from January to May, 1775.
- Liber A L No. N, marked "1775," has 585 pages of conveyances entered from June, 1775, to May, 1776.
- Liber A L No. O, marked "1776 to 1777," occupies 313 pages with conveyances recorded from June 4, 1776, to May 1, 1777, closing the service of Alexander Lawson as clerk. An additional entry of August, 1777, is made by his successor. Nearly half the book is blank.

The colonial court records of the old county comprise 54 volumes which are almost wholly records of the court sessions. There are no transcription volumes. Brerewood's description of the court books in 1741 has been mentioned. Three of his unlisted "decayed" books still exist. Of those he listed by

title twelve survive and three are gone. The following list follows chronological order so far as possible.¹

Liber D, marked "1682-1686," is the oldest of the court books. It has the session minutes from November, 1682, to March, 1685-86. The volume had 412 pages, of which the first four are now missing. Thomas Hedge was clerk during its making. The volume has a very few scattered conveyance papers which seem not to be copied elsewhere.

Liber F No. 1, marked "Nov. 1691 to Aug. 1693," is a court register with session minutes for the time shown in title. The first 24 pages are missing. Its pages are numbered to 492. On page 225 are listed the taxables of 1692. The volume was made by Thomas Hedge, who intermingled conveyances with court minutes. In 1729 the conveyances were transcribed into the land record liber R M No. H S.

Liber G No. 1, marked "1693 to 1696," is a court register of the clerk Thomas Hedge. The volume as it now exists is numbered to 659 pages. At least 18 others formerly in it have been lost. Hedge used the book for court minutes, which were so entered as to leave blank intervals between the sessions. Afterward these intervals were filled with conveyances and occasional entries of miscellany. As a result the material is not in sequence as to time. The court minutes are for the sessions from August, 1693, to August, 1696. The existing interim entries were recorded from August, 1694, to June, 1696. The conveyances in this book were copied in 1729 into the land record liber R M No. H S, but the copyist seems to have overlooked some of his material. At page 223 of the book begins a series of recorded treaties with Indian tribes. At pages 272 and 521 are lists of taxables in 1694 and 1695.

Liber I S No. B, marked "1708-1715," is a court register carrying the sessions from November, 1708, to March, 1715-16. The volume has 707 pages. It is now divided into three books, without change of paging. Each part is in modern binding and the leaves are protected by crepe-line tissue. The clerk Henry Wriothsley began the record, but in 1709 was displaced by John Stokes, and he, in turn, gave place in 1715, to George Middleton, who completed the record.

Liber I S No. A, marked "Mar. 1715 to June 1718," carries in 324 pages the session records from March, 1715-16, to June, 1718. George Middleton was clerk for the time. The present title of the book, which duplicates one of the land records books, is a misnomer. Brerewood's list shows that it was Liber G M in 1741.

Liber I S No. C, marked "Aug. 1718 to Nov. 1721," has 671 pages of sessions

¹ Sixteen of the court records books were passing through the bindery when this list was compiled. Where back-titles vary from those here quoted it may be ascribed to revision at binding.

records for the period stated. Brerewood's list says the book began with the June, 1718, session in his time. Clerk George Middleton began the record but John Stokes completed it.

Liber I S No. T W 1, marked "Mar. 1721 to Aug. 1722," is a court register of 418 pages with sessions from March, 1721-22, to August, 1722. Brerewood's list indicates that the opening part of the book is now missing. The title indicates that Thomas White, deputy clerk, made the record for Stokes.

Liber I S No. T W No. 2, marked "1722-1723," contains 524 pages bearing the court sessions from November, 1722, to August, 1723. Brerewood's list indicates also a loss of part of this book.

Liber I S No. T W, marked "1723-1724," is a court register of 520 pages with sessions from August, 1723, to August, 1724. These dates agree with the listing of 1741.

Liber I S No. T W, marked "Aug. 1724 to Aug. 1725," has 356 pages of sessions records for the period stated. Its description in 1741 is the same.

Liber H W S No. 6, marked "June 1728 to June 1730," is a sessions record of 449 pages covering the period stated. That of June, 1728, began in a preceding book, now missing. John Stokes was clerk, although the book bears his successor's initials.

Liber H S No. 7, marked "Aug. 1730 to June 1732," has 339 pages bearing sessions minutes for time stated. In 1741 the book bore the title H W S No. 7 and began with session of June, 1730.

Liber H W S No. 9, marked "June 1733 to Nov. 1734," has 411 pages with court minutes for the time stated. It is the first court record where H. Wells Stokes appears as clerk.

Liber H W S No. I A, marked "Mar. 1736 to Mar. 1738/9," is a court register of 400 pages, with sessions from March, 1736-37, to April, 1738.

Liber H W S and T R, marked "June 1739 to Nov. 1740," covers sessions for period stated and has 386 pages. H. Wells Stokes was clerk. In 1741 the book was entitled H W S No. 11.

Liber T B No. T R, marked "Mar. 1740/1 to June 1742," has 490 pages with sessions for period stated. It is the first book of Thomas Brerewood.

Liber T B No. D, marked "Aug. 1742 to June 1743," has 237 pages of court sessions for the period stated.

Liber marked "August Court Proceedings 1743," has 874 pages of the sessions record from August, 1743, to March, 1745-46. Thomas Brerewood was clerk.

Liber T B & T R No. 1, marked "June 1746 to Mar. 1746-7," has 554 pages of sessions records for the time stated. The book was begun by Thomas Brerewood and completed by Talbot Ristean.

Liber unlettered, marked "1750," is a court register of 370 pages carrying the sessions of June and August, 1750. Talbot Risteau was clerk and on a flyleaf is the title T R No. 5. A misplaced leaf of the session of August, 1722, is in the book.

Liber T R No. 6, marked "1750/1," is a court register of 340 pages with sessions of November, 1750, and March, 1750-51. About a third of the book is blank.

Liber B B No. A, marked "1754," contains in 574 pages the court sessions of March to November, 1754. Beale Bordley was the clerk.

Liber B B No. B, marked "Mar. 1755 to Mar. 1756," has 594 pages with records from June, 1755, to March, 1756.

Liber B B, marked "Minutes Aug. 1755 to Nov. 1762," is a group of small books combined in one. The contents are so-called "rough minutes," made while the court is in session and used for later compilation of the official record of the session. The rough minutes contain lists of inn licenses granted, constables appointed, fines assessed, and other routine matters that were not put in the formal record. This book covers sessions from August, 1755, to November, 1763.

Liber B B No. C, marked "1756," is the official court register for sessions of June to November, 1756. It has 499 pages.

Liber B B No. D, marked "Mar.—Nov. 1757," has 566 pages of the official court register for the period stated.

Liber B B, marked merely "Sessions," is a register of 254 pages containing court orders at sessions from March, 1757, to November, 1759.

Liber D, marked "1757," is a group of docket books for the sessions of March, June, and November, 1757.

Liber marked "No. E Common Pleas 1757-1758," has 615 pages of the sessions records from November, 1757, to November, 1758. It seems to be properly B B No. E.

Liber F, without other back-title, is probably the former B B No. F. It carries the court sessions of March, 1759, to November, 1760. It has 518 pages.

Liber B B No. G, marked "Mar. 1761 to Mar. 1762," has 510 pages of sessions records for the period stated.

Liber No. H, marked "June 1762 to Mar. 1763," has 678 pages of session records for the period stated. It apparently is the former B B No. H.

Liber B B No. 1, marked "June 1763 to Mar. 1764," is a court register of 687 pages carrying session minutes for the period stated.

Liber B B, marked "June—Aug. 1764," is a court register of 639 pages for the time stated.

Liber I & B No. 2 "marked "Nov. Term 1764," has 341 pages of session records for the single session stated. Much of the volume is blank.

Liber B B No. 3, marked "March—June 1765," has 766 pages of records of sessions stated.

Liber B B, marked "Minutes 1765," is a collection of docket books and rough minutes relating to court sessions in 1765.

Liber B B No. 4, marked "1765," has 338 pages used and about 400 blank. It carries the session record for August, 1765.

Liber B B, marked "Aug.—Nov. 1766," is probably a part of former B B No. 6. It has 250 unnumbered pages bearing the session records as stated.

Liber B B No. 7, marked "Aug. 1767 to Nov. 1767," has session records in 565 pages for the period stated.

Liber B B No. 8, marked "Nov. 1767 to Aug. 1768," has 380 pages of sessions records for the time stated.

Liber B B, marked "Originals, judicials, imparlances 1768," is a docket book for the sessions of March and November, 1768.

Liber B B, marked "Minutes March 1768 to Nov. 1769," is a book made by combining rough-minutes books and docket books. They relate to sessions of March, 1768, to November, 1769.

Liber A L, marked "Convicts 1770-1774," contains in its 389 pages lists of convicts transported from England to the colony in the years stated, certificates of their convictions in English courts, bonds given by colonists who took them into service, and other papers relating to them.

Liber A L, marked "1771," has 239 pages of sessions records of March to August, 1771. Alexander Lawson was clerk.

Liber without title is a collection of books of rough minutes of the court sessions of 1772, 1773, 1776, 1777, 1778, 1780. The minutes for 1778 contain the list of persons who took the required oath of allegiance to the new government.

Libers of court dockets, eight in number, form part of a docket book series now in custody of the chattel mortgage section of the Record Office. Each volume contains the dockets, fines, and imparlances for the March and November sessions of a single year, this material usually occupying about 450 record pages in each book. The eight volumes which lie within the colonial period are titled D 1769, D 1770, D 1771, D 1772, D 1773, D 1774, D 1775, and D 1776.

The office of the register of wills has 26 volumes that bear material of the colonial time. All are in good condition and properly shelved.

Liber A of wills, marked "1675-1721," has 520 pages of contents and 487 indexed entries.

Liber B of wills, marked "1721-1763," has 368 pages of contents and 263 indexed items.

Liber C of wills, marked "1763-1779," is a modern transcript of 597 pages whose contents actually run to 1784. Its index carries 591 entries.

Libers of inventories are 11 in number and lettered from A to L. The contents of these volumes are usually without date of recording and frequently without any date whatever. Apparently no specific dates can be given to the several books. They seem, however, to be complete as to material from 1666 to the end of the colonial time.

Libers of administrators bonds, five in number, lettered A to E, seem to carry records from 1720 to about 1780.

Libers of administrators' accounts, seven in number and lettered from A to G, relate to the colonial time.

MARYLAND RENT ROLLS.

[Continued from Vol. 21, No. 4, December 1926.]

ANN ARUNDELL COUNTY.*

RENT ROLL 1707

Herring Creek Hundred

Carter

600 Acres Sur: 28 th Octob 1651 for Capt	£	s.	d.
Edw ^d Carter near Herring Creek Bay Rent	Ⓕ		
Annum			00. 12.. —

Possessors: 300 A: Sam^l. Chew Junr.
 100 A: William Dorrump
 50 A: Hen: Archers Orphans
 (who are married to Cha:
 Scot, Will^m Gardner & one
 Daughter unmarried)
 25 A: Thomas Watkins
 25 A: Morgan Jones
 100 A: Walker Emerton

600

* For discussion of the Rent Rolls, see Vol. 19, p. 341.

C refers to Calvert Paper No. 883 and indicates changes or variations in entries referring to the same tract of land.

C. Possess^{rs} 300 a Sam Chew jun^r who claims of Rob^t Paca & He from W^m Hunt & He ye assign of one half of y^e patent from Ed^w. Carter, 100 a W^m Dorrumples in Right of his wife y^e Wid^o of Rob^t Sollers, 50 a Hen Arthurs Orp^{ns} who are married to Cha. Scott W^m Gardiner & one Daughter unmarried. 25 a Tho Watkins, 25 a Morgan Jones, 100 a Walker Emerton.

Carter Bennet

300 A: Sur: 28 Octob 1651 for Rich ^d Bennet	£	s.	d.
Esq ^r near Herring Creek bay, Rent ₧ Hun:	—.	6..	—
Possess ^d by Coll W ^m Holland in Right of his wife the Sister of Francis Holland the Son			

Bennets Island

275 A: Sur: 28: Octob 1651 for Rich ^d Bennet			
Esq ^r lying on Herring Creek bay, rent ₧ Ann	—.	5..	6
Possess ^d by Coll W ^m Holland in Right of his wife the Sister of Fran: Holland			

Town Land

200 A. Sur: 24 th Octob 1651 for W ^m Parker			
on the South Side of Herring Creek Rent ₧ Ann	—.	4..	—
Possess ^d by Christop Vernon in Right of his wife the Relict of Lewis Evans & in behalf of the Orphans of the said Evans			

Ayres

600 A: Sur: 29: Octob 1651 for W ^m Ayres			
adjoyning to the Land of Cap ^t Edward Carter pattented in the name of Ann daughter & heir of the said Ayres & wife of Sam: Chew, Rent	—.	12..	—
Possess ^d by Samuells Chew the son of the said Samuells above mentioned			

£1. 19.. 0

300 A: Sur: 18 Novemb 1659 for Alex ^r Gordon on the North Side of Herring Creek & on the North side of Gotts Creek, rent \mathfrak{p} Ann	£	s.	d.
Possess ^{ors} 200 A: Robert Franklyn	—..	6..	—
100 A: Will ^m Horn			

Ram—Got—Swamp

600 A: Sur: 18 Nov: 1659 for Rich^d Gott on
the North side of Herring Creek, rent 3^p Ann —.. 12.. —
Possess^{rs} 300 A: Rich^d Gott
200 A: John Cheshire
33 A: Sam: Harrison
100 A: Mordicay Price for Auth^o
Hollands Orphans
100 A: Cap^t Robert Lockwood

733 133 A: over & above the Surveys —.. 2.. 8..

250 A: Sur: 18: Nov^r 1659 for W^m Paget on
the West side of a Branch running North out
of Herr: Creek bay called Beaver dam branch
rent
Possess^d by John Trundle

C. This Land was escheated for want of ye heirs of Paget & order'd by his Ldp to be granted to John Trundle ffather of y^e possor John Trundle.

800 A: Sur: 23^d Nov. 1659 for Anthony Sallo-
way near the mouth of Bennets Creek rent —.. 16.. —
Possess^d by Phillip Cole in Right of his Wife
daughter & heir of George Skipwith

Kequotan Choyce

300 A: Sur: 5th May 1663 for Stephen Benson £ s. d.
in the branches of Herring Creek rent —.. 6.. —

Poss^{rs} 150 A: George Symons

100 A: Sam: Guichard in right of his wife

50 A: Peter Tibedan in right of his
— wife he daughter of Ann Gongoe

300 as Guichard's is also another

— daughter of the s^d Gongoe

Jericho

200 A: Sur: 3^d July 1663 for W^m Croseby be- £ s. d.
tween the branches of Lyons Creek & the
branches of Herring Creek bay, rent —.. 4.. —

2.. 11.. 8

Poss^{rs} 100 A: Tho: Tench Esq^r for the Or-
phans of James Rigby whose
wife was daughter & heir of
Nathan Smith

100 A: Christop Vernon in right of his
wife

— the relict of Lewis Evans & in

200 behalf of the Orphans of the
said Evans

C. Jerico.

Burrage

500 A: Sur: 20th March 1662 for John Burrage

Burrage Blossom

200 A: Sur: the same day for the s^d Jn^o Burrage

Burrages End

150 A: Sur: 6 Nov. 1665 for the s^d Jn^o Burrage

—
850 The above 3 Tracts ly all together and

joyn the one to the other & ly on the	£	s.	d.
Ridge to the Westward of Herring			
Crek, rent	—.	17.	—

The said three tracts of Land cutting athwart them all & takeing a part of each of them are Possess^d by the psons following

100 A: John Wilson
 300 A: Benja: Welch
 50 A: Tho: Tench Esq^r for Nathan Rigby
 the Orphan of James Rigby
 as in Jericho aforegoing
 100 A: Mr Henry Hall being the Glebe
 272½ A: James Heath
 27½ A: John Wilson

850

C. 318 a James Smith, 14 a John Wilson, 32 a over y^e Survey.

Dan

490 A: Sur: 3 July 1663 for Robert Paca between the branches of Herring Creek & Lyons Creek rent

—.. 9.. 10

Poss^{rs} 290 A: Tho: Tench Esq^r for Nathan Rigby as in Jericho

100 A: John Turner in right of his wife the Reliet of R^d James

100 A: Abraham Symons

490

C. James Simmons.

Benjamins Choyce

280 A: Sur: 7th July 1663 for Rich Wells on

the Westward of Herring Creek bay in the Woods, rent	£	s.	d.
Poss ^d by Richard Harrison	—..	5..	7½

Dinah Ford's Beaver-Dam

400 A: Sur: 27 th Nov ^r 1662 for Tho: Ford near Herring Creek, rent	—..	8..	—
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Poss^{rs} 90 A: Fran: More for Jam: Ford's Orphans

62 A: Rob: Brown for Tindalls Orphans

100 A: John Standforth which he holds only by the Curtisie of Engl^d & on his death the same Escheats to his Lo^p

150 A: Rob: Franklyn

402	Wells	£2..	—..	5½
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600 A: Sur: 22 Nov. 1659 for Rich ^d Wells Between Fishing& Creek & Herring Creek bay	—..	12..	—
Poss ^{rs} Samuell Chew & Nehemiah Birkhead			

Well's Hills

420 A: Sur: 14 July 1663 for Rich ^d Wells in the Branches of Fishing Creek, rent	—..	8..	5
Poss ^{rs} the same as above			

West Wells

350 A: Sur: 14th July 1663 for Rich^d Wells to the Westward of the Land called Wells between the Branches of fishing Creek & Herring Creek bay.

Poss^{rs} 150 A: Sam: Chew & Neh: Birkhead

200 A: Robert Conaut

350

C. Robert Conaught.

Little Wells

100 A: Sur: 23 th July 1663 for Rich ^d Wells	£	s.	d.
between Fishing creek & Herring creek bay			
near the Land called Wells, rent		—.. 2.. —	
Poss ^{rs} Sam: Chew & Nehemiah Birkhead			

Goury Banks

600 A: Sur: 17: July 1663 for Tho: Ford on			
the West side the Plant ^a of Herring Creek bay			
about 2½ miles from the bay. Rent ʒ Ann		—.. 12.. —	
Poss ^{rs} 300 A: John Rea for Powells Orphans			
150 A: James Wood for Groves Orph ^{ns}			
150 A: John Beecher for Groves Orp ^{ns}			

600

Maidstone

350 A: Sur: 3 ^d Aug ^t 1663 for W ^m Hunt on the			
West Side the Plant ^a of Herring Creek bay			
about 4 Miles in the woods. Rent		—.. 7.. —	
Poss ^{rs} Rich: Bond for Benj ^a Chew's Orphan			

Hunts Mount

350 A: Granted 29 th Sept. 1663 to W ^m Hunt			
lying on the West of Capt. Carters Land & on			
the West of Herring Creek Bay, rent		—.. 7.. —	

£2.. 15.. 5

Poss ^{rs} 150 A: Samuel Chew Jun ^r
83 A: Robert Sollars
100 A: Thomas Wells
17 A: Thomas Trott

350

Hunts Chance

400 A: Sur: 31: July 1663 for W^m Hunt on the West side the Land of Rich^d Wells about 2 Miles from Herring Creek bay rent £ s. d
—.. 8.. —

Poss^{rs} 200 A: Coll W^m Holland

200 A: Edward Ward tenant under John Godscross who is tenant by the curtesie of England & upon his death the same Escheats to his Lords^p

Hollands Hills

190 A: Sur: 7th Aug^t 1663 for Francis Holland on the westward of Herring Creek bay near the Land of Carter Bennet, rent —.. 3.. 10

Poss^r Rich^d Harrison

Pascalls Chance

300 A: Sur: 6: Decemb^r 1662 for George Pascall on the South side the Land called Gordon, rent —.. 6.. —

Poss^{rs} 200 A: W^m Smith for Rob: Gott's Orp^{ns}

100 A: W^m Pearce

300

Birkheads Parcell

600 A: Sur: 10th Feb. 1661 for Christop Birkhead near the Land Surveyed for John Burrage, rent —.. 12.. —

Poss^{rs} 500 A: Nehe: Birkhead

100 A: Abra: Birkhead

600

C. John Burridge, Abra: Birkhead.

Greenwood

150 A: Sur: 12 th July 1663 for Armiger Greenwood on the north side broadcreek running out of Herring bay, rent	£	s.	d.
	—	..	3.. —

Poss^{rs} 100 A: Benj^a Capell

50 A: Mordica Price for Anth: Hollands Orp^t

150

Morely

300 A: Sur: 17: July 1663 for Jos: Moreley about 2 miles from Herring creek bay on the back of Hollands Hill, rent £ Ann

I doe not find this Land was ever Pattented but it was by Joseph Morely conveyed to W^m Hunt who dyed without heir & the Land taken up after, the greatest part by the said Morely in a Survey of his of 300 A: partly by Rich^d Wells & partly by Rich^d Deavour

His Lordship's Mannour on the Ridge

10,000 A: Surv^d: for his Lords^p... 1662 and the 1st Aprill 1698 Resurvey'd for his said Lordship & then found to be 12634 Acres & is possess^d 11085 A: His Lords^p

325 A: Antho. Smith at the rent	—	..	13.. —
250 A: Solomon Sparrow, rent	—	..	10.. —
240 A: W ^m Rich ^d son at the rent	—	..	9.. 7 $\frac{1}{4}$
200 A: Sam: Thomas at the rent	—	..	8.. —
100 A: Hen: Hall at the rent	—	..	4.. —
100 A: Phillip Dowell at the rent	—	..	4.. —
334 A: Seth Bigges at the rent	—	..	13.. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
50 A: John Parrish at the rent	—	..	2.. —

12634

Portland Mannour

2000 A: Sur: 6: Decem^r 1667 for Jerome White Esq^r on the South side the west line of Ann Arrundell Mann^r 500 A: pt. of this Mann^r was sold to Edw^d Talbot & the remainder for his Lords^p for whom the whole was resurv^d Aprill 4th 1698 & then found to be 2722 A.

Poss ^{rs} 500 A: Widow Talbot, rent	£	s.	d.
1090 A: Coll. Hen: Darnell by grant from his Lords ^p , rent	—..	10..	—
1000 A: Hen: Lazenby for Charles Calvert Lazenby, rent	1..	2..	—
132 A: Remains in his Lo ^p	1..	—..	—

2722

Trent

450 A: Sur: 17: July 1663 for Joseph Morely & John Gray on the back of Hunts Mount on the west of Herring Creek bay, rent	£	s.	d.
	—..	9..	—

Poss ^{rs} 50 A: Rob: Smith
62½ A: James Lee for John Wilson's Orphan
62½ A: Tho: Bartlet for Moses Wilson's Orp ⁿ
50 A: W ^m Hollyday
125 A: James Wood
100 A: Tho: Trott

450

Smithfield

100 A: Sur: 3 ^d Aug. 1663 for Nathan Smith on the West side the Land called Ayres, rent	—..	2..	—
Poss ^r Henry Child	<hr/>		

6.. 7.. 6½

Holloway's Neck

100 A: Sur: 24th Octob^r 1651 for Rich^d Ben-
net Esq^r & pattented in the name of Oliver Hol-
way who dying without Heir the same as Es-
cheat was granted to Tho: Lun, whose daughter
& heir Eliz^a intermarried with Edw^d Price for
whom with the said Eliz^a the same was re-
serv^d 1st 9ber 1699 & then found to be 147 A:
rent

£ s. d.

—.. 5.. 10½

Poss^r Sam: Maccubin who married the s^d Eliz^a
the relict of the s^d Price

Broughton Ashly

950 A: Sur: 5th Jan^{ry} 1663 for Fran: Holland
on the west side of West Wells Hills & Silver-
ston, this Land was resurrv^d for the s^d Francis
Holland the 18th Jan^{ry} 1669 for the same q^t rent

—.. 19.. —

Poss^{rs} 66 A: Coll W^m Holland
50 A: Jos. Saunders
60 A: Rob. Connaut
200 A: John Ward
100 A: Rob. Gover's heir
50 A: John Witherd
150 A: John Chapell
50 A: Rich^d Thornbury
50 A: Rich^d Tucker
50 A: John Stephens
24 A: Sam: Gover
97 A: John Emerton
3 A: Dan: Robertson

950

Bednall Green

180 A: Sur: 19th March 1669 for Rob. Wells

at the South East bounds of the Land of Benj ^a	£	s.	d.
Wells to the Westward of Herring Creek bay,			
rent		—..	7.. 4

Poss^r Rich^d Harrison

Brushy Bay

80 A: Sur: 21 March 1669 for Lyonell Pawly			
at a bounded white oak of Jericho, rent		—..	3.. 2

Poss^r John Preston

Benjamins Addition

49 A: Sur: 30: Sep: 1670 for Benj ^a Wells at			
a bounded tree of Hollands Hill Rent		—..	—.. 10

Poss^r Richard Harrison

Souldiers Delight

100 A: Sur: 28 th Decem ^r 1670 for Lyonell			
Pawly at a bounded tree of Goury bank's, rent		—..	2.. —

Poss^r Coll. W^m Holland

£1.. 18.. 2½

Pascalls Purchase

300 A: Sur: 24th Octob^r 1651 for Edw^d Selby
on the west side of Herring Creek

Edward Selby sold this Land to Geo: Pascall
who sold 100 A. pt. thereof to his nephew
James Pascall (the which by mesne convey^a is
now the right of Xtop Vernon) the other 200
A. he sold to W^m Sivick, who left the same to
his only son John Sivick who dying left it by
will to Susanna his Relict, which Susanna sold
thereout to John Wilson 85 A: but proved to
be but 45 A: to Jonathan Jones 61 A: to Xtop
Vernon 30 A: & to James Heath the remaining
part of the said 200 A: the which James the
20th Aprill 1705 caused the whole tract to be
Res^d & was then found to be 374 A. the w^{ch} 74
A. Surplus the s^d James Heath obtained a

grant thereof & on the 1st of March 1705 had a £ s. d.
 Pattent of Confirm^a as well for the afores^d
 Surplus as for his aforesaid remaining pt by
 the name of Heath's Landing the which is soe
 entred in page 17 the rest of Pascalls Purch:
 & that w^{ch} only now beares that name is 236
 A: at the rent of —.. 4.. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$

Poss^{rs} 130 A: Christop Vernon
 45 A: John Wilson
 61 A: Jonathan Jones

236

Sanctley

450 A: Sur: 3 Aug. 1663 for Samuell Chew on
 the west side the Land called Ayres, rent —.. 9.. —
 Poss^{rs} 400 Eliz^a relict of Jos. Chew for her
 self & the Orpⁿ of the s^d Joseph
 50 Henry Child

450

Turkey Hill

100 A: Sur: 9th July 1663 for Tho: Prat be- £ s. d.
 tween the Land of John Burrage & Pascalls
 Chance —.. 2.. —
 Poss^r Thomas Pratt

Birckhead's Meadows

50 A: Sur: 7: Jan^{ry} 1663 for Xtop Birckhead
 at the North East corner tree of Birckheads
 parcell, rent —.. 1.. —
 Poss^r Nehemiah Birckhead

Bersheba

100 A: Sur: 5th July 1663 for John Wilson on
 the west side the main branch of Lyons Creek,
 rent —.. 2.. —

Poss ^{rs} 94 A: John Thornbury	£	s.	d.
6 A: Abra: Birkhead			

100

Chews Rest

300 A: Sur: 19 Aprill 1665 for Sam: Chew at the Miles end of the Land called Ayres, rent	—.. 6.. —
Poss ^r Sam: Chew	

Birkheads Lott

434 A: Sur: 3 ^d March 1663 for Christop. Birkhead in the woods on the west of the Plant ^a on Herring Creek bay, rent	—.. 8.. —
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Poss ^{rs} 344 A: Solomon Birkhead
90 A: Rich ^d Harrison

434

Smith's delight

300 A: Sur: 2 ^d March 1664 for Nathan Smith adjoyning to the Land of Samuell Chew, rent	—.. 6.. —
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Poss ^{rs} 150: Tho. Tench Esq ^r for Ja: Rigby's Orphan
150: Samuell Chew

300

Hopewell

300 A: Sur: 18: July 1663 for Ferdinando Battee & Andrew Skinner near Herring Creek beaver dams	—.. 6.. —
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Poss ^{rs} Widow Battee for her self and the orph ^{ns} of the s ^d Ferdinando

Herring Creek Road

100 A: Sur: 8 th Nov. 1665 for John Burrage	£	s.	d.
near Herring Creek bay, rent	—..	2..	—
Poss ^r Coll William Holland			

Birkheads Chance

50 A: Sur: E th Nov. 1665 for Abra: Birk-			
head in the woods at a bounded Hiccorry of			
John Wilson in the line of Birkheads parcell,			
rent	—..	1..	—
Poss ^r Abraham Birkhead			

Barren point

40 A: Sur: 9 th 9ber 1665 for Geo. Pascall on			
the East side of Beaver dam branch, rent	—..	—..	10
Poss ^r William Smith for Rob. Gotts Orp ⁿ			

Daborns hope

40 A: Sur: 21 Nov. 1665 for Tho: Daborn in			
Herring Creek Swamp on the So: side of South			
Creek, rent	—..	—..	10
Poss ^r Capt Robert Lockwood			

Grammars Chance

350 A: Sur: 5 th Xber 1666 for John Gramar			
lying on the branch of Lyons Creek, rent	—..	7..	—
Poss ^r Rich ^d Harrison			

Birkheads Chance

750 A: Sur: 3 ^d Xber 1667 for George Yate on			
Lyons Creek branch, rent	—..	15..	—
Poss ^r Abraham Birkhead			

The Ham

100 A: Sur: 6: Xber 1667 for Rich ^d Bedworth			
& Samuell Thornbury in the main bra: of			
Lyons Creek	—..	2..	—
Poss ^r Thomas Tench Esq ^r			

Morley's Lott

300 A: Sur: 14: Sep: 1667 for Jos: Morely	£	s.	d.
near the Land called Trent, rent	—..	6..	—
Poss ^r Rich ^d Harrison			

Grammars Parrot

400 A: Sur: 22 Sep: 1653 for W ^m Parrot who			
Assigned the same to John Grammar who had			
the same sur. for himself July 1 st 1667, rent	—..	8..	—
Poss ^r 200 A: Abra: Meares			
100 A: Capt. Beasly			
100 A: Tho: Miles			

400

St. Jeromes

300 A: Sur: 6: Xber 1667 for Jerome White			
Esq ^r at the west corner of the Land called			
Quick Sale	—..	6..	—
This Land was granted to Coll. Hen. Darnall			
6 th Aug ^t 1700 & now in his Possession			

Batchellors Choyce

300 A: Sur: 20 th Xber 1668 for Ninian Beal			
near Lyons Creek, rent	—..	6..	—
Poss ^r			

C. Poss^r Jonathan Scarth of London

A MUSTER ROLL OF CAPTAIN THOMAS PRICE'S COMPANY OF RIFLE-MEN IN THE SERVICE OF THE UNITED COLONIES.

"THE LOST LEGION."

"At a meeting of the Committee of Observation of Frederick, held in the court-house on the 21st of June, 1775, a letter was read by John Hanson, chairman, from the delegates of Maryland in Congress, accompanied by the resolution passed on the 14th. The letter represented that two companies of expert riflemen were required of the county to join the army at Boston, 'to be there employed as light infantry.'" (Scharf, History of Maryland, v. 2: 181.) The first company under the command of Captain Michael Cresap, and the second, under Captain Thomas Price, were quickly raised, and on the 18th of August both started on the march to Boston. The personnel of Captain Cresap's company has appeared in print, but no muster or pay rolls of Capt. Price's company were known to exist. The following rolls have recently come to light in the Otho Holland William Papers, now in the possession of the Society, and it appears that owing to the illness of Capt. Price, the company was actually commanded by Lieut. Williams, which accounts for the presence of the rolls among his papers. [Editor.]

Appointed

Captⁿ Thomas Price June 22^d 75

Lieuts Otho H^d Williams June 22^d

" Philemon Griffith 22^d

" Thomas H. Luckett 22^d

Casualties 1775

Inlisted July August September

Sjts Adamson Tannehill	June 23 ^d	present	present	present
" Joseph McFarland	29	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
" James Yulle	26	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
" James Finley	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	Discharg'd 16 th

Corps Jacob Smith	July 2 nd	d ^o	d ^o	present
" Jacob Gromett	June 23 ^d	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o

		Casualties 1775			
		Inlisted	July	August	September
Corps John Weaver	July 6 th	present	present	present	
“ Alexander Lease		d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
Drum ^r Pat ^k Donnally	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
1 Burton Joshua	July 12 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
2 Bruce Robert	17	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
3 Becraft John	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
4 Becraft Abram	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
5 Brown Conrad	7 th	d ^o	deserted		
			15 th		
6 Crum Adam	7 th	d ^o	present	present	
7 Cummings Sam.	2 nd	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
8 Cradlebaugh Fred ^k	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
9 Dycke Peter	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
10 Dwyre John	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
11 Delashmut Basil	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
12 Erwin William	7 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
13 Fickle Daniel	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
14 Fickle Benjamin	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
15 Failing William	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
16 Fisher Adam	7 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
17 Fisher Henry	3 rd	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
18 Foster Robert	2 nd	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
19 George Faukwell	June 25 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
20 Giger Henry	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
21 Gareheart Jacob	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
22 Hutchinson Nich ^o	6 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
23 Hugh Higgins	15 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
24 Hoblitsell Adrian	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
25 Hess Balser	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
26 Hemerly Peter	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
27 Huddle George	17 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
28 Hubley George	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o	
29 Johnson William	3 rd	d ^o	deserted	22 nd	

		Casualties 1775		
		Inlisted	July	August September
30	Karr William	June 28 th	present	present present
31	Karr John	July 4 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
32	Klein Daniel	1 st	sick	absent absent absent
33	Long William	3 rd	present	present present
34	Lyda Jacob	1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
35	Leibley John	1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
36	Lemmon Patrick	1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
37	Little Michael	1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
38	Miller Daniel	July 1 st	present	deserted 16 th
39	Miller Jacob	June 29 th	d ^o	present present
40	McCreery John	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
41	Marquart Bastion	10 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
42	Mantz James	June 24 th	d ^o	d ^o deserted 22 ^d
43	Mulroy John	July 10 th	d ^o	d ^o present
44	McCurtin Daniel	7 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
45	McInhimer John	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
46	Neale Joseph	7 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
47	Neale John	11 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
48	Norris William	1 st	d ^o	d ^o deceas'd 29 th
49	Riley William	1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o 1 st
50	Ronselbaugh John	14 th	d ^o	d ^o present
51	Ringer Jacob	1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
52	Roberts Mordecai	11 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
53	Switzer George	1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
54	Speck Henry	June 24 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
55	Smith John	July 7 th	d ^o	deserted 15 th
56	Stull Daniel	1 st	d ^o	present app ^d Serjt 16 th
57	Schneider John	11 th	d ^o	d ^o present
58	Speck William	June 24 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
59	Steuart John	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
60	Tunbridge Sam ^l Dixon	10 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o
61	Trout Henry	June 24 th	d ^o	d ^o d ^o

		Casualties 1775		
	Inlisted	July	August	September
62	Trier Andrew July 10 th	present	present	present
63	Thomas Nathan 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
64	Tannehill Josiah 16 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
65	Thomas Leonard July 14 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
66	Tutwiler Jonathan 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
67	Veach Jacob 8 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
68	Williams Levi 13 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
69	White George 2 nd	d ^o	deserted	15 th
70	Wood Jonathan 11 th	d ^o	present	present
71	Willson William 10 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
72	Gump Christian 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o

		Casualties		
No.	Names	When Inlisted &c 1775	October	Novem-ber December
Capt.	Thomas Price	June 22 ^d	present on fur- lough 1 st	on fur- lough
Lieut	Otho H ^d Williams	22 ^d	present	present
"	Philemon Griffith	22 ^d	d ^o	d ^o
"	Thomas H. Luckett	22 ^d	d ^o	d ^o
Sjt	Adamson Tannehill	23 rd	d ^o	d ^o
"	Joseph McFarland	29 th	d ^o	d ^o
"	James Yulle	26 th	d ^o	d ^o
"	Daniel Stull	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o
Corp	Jacob Smith	2 nd	d ^o	d ^o
"	Jacob Gromett	June 23 rd	d ^o	d ^o
"	John Weaver	July 6 th	d ^o	d ^o
"	Alexander Lease	June 28 th	d ^o	d ^o
Drum ^r	Patrick Donnally	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o
Privates				
1	Burton Joshua	12 th	d ^o	d ^o
2	Bruce Robert	17 th	d ^o	d ^o

No.	Names	When Inlisted &c 1775	Casualties		
			October	Novem- ber	December
3	Becraft John	1 st	present	present	present
4	Becraft Abraham	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
5	Crum Adam	7 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
6	Cummings Sam.	2 nd	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
7	Cradlebaugh Fred ^k	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
8	Dyke Peter	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
9	Dwire John	1 st	d ^o	d ^o Drafted into Capt ⁿ Hegre's Co. 31 st	
10	Delashmut Basil	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	present
11	Erwin William	July 7 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
12	Fickle Daniel	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
13	Fickle Benjamin	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
14	Failing William	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
15	Fisher Adam	7 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
16	Fisher Henry	3 rd	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
17	Foster Robert	2 nd	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
18	Faukwell George	June 25 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
19	Gump Christian	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
20	Giger Henry	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
21	Gareheart Jacob	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
22	Hutchison Nicho ^s	6 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
23	Higgins Hugh	15 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
24	Hoblitsell Adrian	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
25	Hess Balser	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
26	Hemerly Peter	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
27	Huddle George	17 th	deserted 31 st	deserted	absent
28	Hubley George	1 st	went on board the Privateer 29 th	absent	absent
29	Karr William	June 28 th	present	present	present

No.	Names	When Inlisted &c 1775	Casualties		
			October	Novem- ber	December
30	Karr John	July 4 th	present	present	present
31	Long William	3 rd	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
32	Lyda Jacob	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
33	Leibly John	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
34	Lemmon Patrick	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
35	Little Michael	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
36	Miller Jacob	June 29 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
37	McCreery John	July 1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
38	Marquart Bastion	July 10 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
39	Mulroy John	10 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
40	McCurtin Daniel	7 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
41	McInhimer John	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
42	Neale Joseph	7 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
43	Neale John	11 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
44	Ronselbaugh John	July 14 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
45	Ringer Jacob	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
46	Roberts Robert	11 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
47	Switzer George	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
48	Speck Henry	June 24 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
49	Speck William	24 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
50	John Schneider	July 11 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
51	Steuart John	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
52	Tunbridge Sam. Dixon	10 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
53	Trout Henry	June 24 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
54	Trier Andrew	July 10 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
55	Thomas Nathan	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
56	Tannehill Josiah	16 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
57	Thomas Leonard	14 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
58	Tutwiler Jonathan	1 st	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
59	Veach Jacob	8 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
60	Williams Levy	13 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o
61	Wood Jonathan	11 th	d ^o	d ^o	d ^o

No.	Names	Casualties		
		When Inlisted	October	November-December
		&c 1775		ber
Privates				
62	Wilson William	July 10 th	present	present present
63	Archibald Thomas		Inlisted 26 th	d ^o

PAY ROLL OF A COMPANY OF RIFLE-MEN IN THE SERVICE OF
THE UNITED COLONIES COMMANDED BY CAPTAIN
THOMAS PRICE FOR THE MONTHS OF

		September		and October	
		1 mo. £	6.. 0.. 0	1 mo. £	6.. 0.. 0
Capt ⁿ	Thomas Price	1	mo. £ 6.. 0.. 0	1	mo. £ 6.. 0.. 0
Lieut	Otho Holland Williams	1	4.. — 1	4.. —	
"	Philemon Griffith	1	4.. — 1	4.. —	
"	Thomas Hussey Lockett	1	4.. — 1	4.. —	
Sjt	Adamson Tannehill	1	2.. 8.. — 1	2.. 8.. —	
"	Joseph McFarland	1	2.. 8.. — 1	2.. 8.. —	
"	James Yulle	1	2.. 8.. — 1	2.. 8.. —	
"	James Finley	16 days	1.. 5.. 7	—	
"	Daniel Stull	14 days	1.. 2.. 5 1	2.. 8.. —	
Corp	Jacob Smith	1 mo.	2.. 4.. — 1	2.. 4.. —	
"	Jacob Cromett	1	2.. 4.. — 1	2.. 4.. —	
"	John Weaver	1	2.. 4.. — 1	2.. 4.. —	
"	Alexander Lease	1	2.. 4.. — 1	2.. 4.. —	
Drum ^r	Patrick Donnally	1	2.. 4.. — 1	2.. 4.. —	
Privates					
1	Joshua Burton	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
2	Robert Bruce	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
3	John Becraft	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
4	Abraham Becraft	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
5	Adam Crum	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
6	Samuel Cummings	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	

Privates		September		and October	
7	Frederick Cradlebaugh	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
8	Peter Dycke	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
9	John Dwyre	1 mo.	2.. — 1 mo.	2.. —	
10	Basil Delashmutt	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
		£58..12..0		£58..12..0	
11	William Erwin	1 mo.	2.. — 1 mo.	2.. —	
12	Daniel Fickle	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
13	Benjamin Fickle	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
14	William Failing	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
15	Adam Fisher	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
16	Henry Fisher	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
17	Robert Foster	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
18	George Faukwell	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
19	Henry Giger	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
20	Jacob Gareheart	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
21	Christian Gump	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
22	Nicholas Hutchison	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
23	Hugh Higgins	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
24	Adrian Hoblitzell	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
25	Balser Hess	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
26	Peter Hemmerly	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
27	George Huddle	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
28	George Hubely	1	2.. — 29	1..18..8	
				days	
29	William Karr	1	2.. — 1 mo.	2.. —	
30	John Karr	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
31	William Long	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
32	Jacob Lyda	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
33	John Leibly	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
34	Patrick Lemmon	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
35	Michael Little	1 mo.	2.. — 1 mo.	2.. —	
36	Jacob Miller	1	2.. — 1	2.. —	
		£ 110..12..0		£110..10..8	

EXTRACTS FROM ACCOUNT AND LETTER BOOKS OF
DR. CHARLES CARROLL, OF ANNAPOLIS.*(Continued from Vol. XXII, p. 205).*23rd March 1746

Sir

I to Satisfie you (tho perswaded you are not Ignorant thereof) give you what Mr Lake writes me vidz. Consulted M^{rs} Johnson late M^{rs} Vaughan who tells me that the things Intimated in your Letter were paid for to Mr Macnemara by a Judgment bond of 30^l w^{ch} he him self drew payable to Mr Black, w^{ch} bond was discharged as shee very well remembers at a Court at Annapolis.

I cannot supose you so forgetfull as not to remember such circumstances as well as that of Mr Cummings & Mr Creagh had likewise satisfied you.

It is certain that you have had satisfaction for all that I received as well as the rest and hope you will be content I am sure I should be very glad you were and would contribute Every Reasonable thing in my power thereto . . .

To Mr Michael Macnemara

Maryland March 21st 1746S^r

I find you cannot by Custom, or the Useage of Merchants Discharge the second Bills of Exchange, so have Conformed to the Advice you Give in yours of the 20th of November last, to Pay those Bills with the fifteen and 20 p^r. Cent, and think no more thereof, which If I could save would have been Better. I have therefore In Lieu of a Bill of myne to George Harryman on Sam^l Hyde Dated 26th of February 1744 for £45 and the Charges, drawn on you of this date payable to Charles Carroll

Esq^r at Sixty days Sight for fifty four Pounds seven shillings Sterling which I Desire you will Pay and Charge to my Account.

I have also In Lieu of my Bills to Thos. Sheredine on Sam^l Hyde Dated 29th of June 1745 for £11.. 18.. drawn on you of this date. Payable to Patrick Creagh or order at Sixty Days sight for fourteen Pounds Nine shillings sterling, which I Desire you will Pay and Charge to my Account. I signifie the Dates and sumes of these Bills I have taken up here by reason I had before wrote you to take them up which I find you can not do.

As I shall ship you Effects In the two following ships which will sail with Convoy I Desire you will as soon as this Comes to hand make Insureances on them for the following sumes at as Easy a Premio as you Can, and In the Safest manner, that In Case of Loss I may be Certain of the sune Insured, Vidz. on the Snow Frances and Elisabeth of this Place and here Built, square stern Burthen one hundred an fifty Ton or thereabouts, Antony Beck Master, or whoever shall be master, Patrick Creagh Owner, for one hundred and Seventy five Pounds Sterling In Severn River In Maryland, and thence to the Port of London In Great Brittain, and there untill unlivered. And on the Ship Speedwell of this Place, and here Built, Pink Stern, Burthen one hundred and Ninety Ton or thereabouts, James Creagh Master, or whoever shall be master, and Patrick Creagh Owner, for two hundred Pounds Sterling, In Patapsco River In Maryland, and thence to the Port of London In Great Brittain Untill there unlivered; & the Premio with the Charge thereon Place to my Account. I must Again Repeat the dependance I have on you that neither this Insurance nor any other Cause will Prevent the Payment of my Bills, which I must request you will Punctually Discharge, as the Contrary would be the greatest Damage and Concern to me.

These two Vessels will sail in three months with Convoy, and hope before then to have some Vessells of yours for which I reserve both Iron & Tobacco.

To Mr William Black merchant In London p^r Cap^t Auter &
 Capⁿ Hutchinson in the Britania & by a Ship from
 Putuxen

Maryland March 25th 1747

S^r

Inclosed Is Bill Loading for One Hundred Ton of Baltimore
 Pigg Iron Shipped In the Britania Hutchinson master for
 Account of Benjamin Tasker Esq^r and Company which hope
 will Come safe to hand. I hope this Commodity will raise in
 Value Adequate to the great Charge thereon of Insurence
 otherwise the makers here must suffer Extremely, your Care
 and Circumspection In making the most thereof Is Expected
 by the Gentlemen Concerned . . .

To Mr William Black Merchant In London p^r Capⁿ Auter
 & Cap^{tn} Hutchinson

Maryland March 26th 1747

Sir

Inclosed are the following Bills of Exchange amounting to
 £19.. 2.. 4 ster w^{ch} when paid please to Carry to the Credit of
 my account or Return protested by the first opportunity . . .

To Mr W^m Black Merc^t in London

To James Cain on W ^m Perkins	£ 3.. 3.. 2
To Ditto on Rich ^d Molineux	6.. 16.. 10
To Arthur Brownly on Ditto	3.. 15.. 8
To John Cain on Ditto	2.. 14.. 4
To Ditto on W ^m Perkins	2.. 12.. 4

£19.. 2.. 4

Capⁿ Hutchinson in the Britania p^r Cap^t John Auter & p^r Cap^t
 Sam^l Wood in May following

Annapolis March 27th 1746

Sir

I rec^d yours in relation to the Flatt w^{ch} I send up now for what things I have left at North East, If you Incline to take her at Twenty four pounds Cur^{cy} with the oares and three pounds for the Grapnoll and Rope you may have her as soon as shee returns here again in the meantime you may use the small Boat w^{ch} you may have for Seven Pounds Cur^{cy}

If you Incline to take the Flatt let me know at her return and I will send my People up with her and they may return in the small boat w^{ch} will save you the trouble of sending down here no doubt the Carpenters have been with you some time. If any oppertunity to Virginia shall be glad you will order a cuple of Ton of Barr Iron to be sent up by one of your Sloops to be delivered me here. Slender Square & Flatt.

To M^r Charles Ewell at North East Branch Back River ☿
Mathew Coen

 Maryland April 2^d 1747

Sir

You know in your conscience that I never Received a far-thing on your Account of M^r Vaughan and I am certain I never did more than from Mess^{rs} Creagh and Cummings with so loose debts you would have saddled me, Nay and told me you would make me pay tho you had Received them. Hard treatment this for Acts of Friendship. I can with justice repeat That you have Rec^d Satisfaction for all that I received as well as the Rest.

I hope that neither Law nor Equity will make me pay for what I never had or Received the least Satisfaction for, tho Your Expectations that way may be very High for Reasons well known to me.

I am still Ready and willing (as I often wrote you) to settle your account with me and if any Error therein Rectifie the same and give you Credit therein for the Ballance of an Ac-

count made up in the Comissaries office on your mothers Estate as her Executor. I can not prevent you from takeing that Course w^{ch} is most Agreeable to your self more than from Treating me with Ill manners and makeing False and Groundless Accusations, but I hope that all you may say will not be taken for Truth to Effect my Character w^{ch} I doubt not the Uprightness of my conduct will Justifie to Every Impartial man.

I am sure that I neither now have nor Credit in my Inclinations to wrong you and if I had more things at your Sale over Severn than I credit you for it is due to some Mistake w^{ch} perhaps may be proved if you were to produce the accounts w^{ch} you have or send me a Coppy of those things you say I had am^o to £5.. 12.. — and any notes thereon in that account for I do not recollect that I had to such Amount tho I might (to raise the Sale) have bid for things I had not.

I can assure you that I am as much Your friend as you can be mine and wish to have it more perfect by a friendly Settlement and hope you'l not use me as a Cats Paw or Tool if you are Real in that Expression of being my Friend. I was not in Town when your Letter came or had been sooner answered. Pray be assured that I very much desire a good Understanding with you . . .

To M^r Michael Macnemara

2^d April 1747

Sir

I am very far from deeming my self more Self Sufficient than my Neighbours nor shall I ever conceive a less opinion of you than your conduct obliges me to have and should very unwillingly have Room to censure it wherefore I hope you will not Insist on points in themselves Unjust as that of Vaughan and others Realy are.

I will with pleasure come into any Expedient that may adjust the matter in a Friendly way . . .

To M^r M. Macnemara

2^d April 1747

Sir

If I propose an Expedient will not that be deemed self sufficiency in me. It is therefore I leave it to you. You know I offered to adjust between ourselves, that you Rejected do you now desire to call in the aid of any Impartial Honest Man or Men? I will agree thereto.

If your Intentions be real I am as ready as you can desire to conform to Everything that is Just . . .

To Mr M. Macnemara

April 3^d 1747

Sir

Altho I have reason to believe the Two Gentlemen you mention are concerned in point of Intrest by reaping some Advantage from Whatever sume you may get of me. Yet I will wait on you at Mr Carrolls to adjust the Account betwixt us and in case we cannot by his Interposition then have recourse to Mr Thomas for his assistance to set us Right as you desire . . .

To Mr Mich. Macnemara

4th of April 1747

Sr

In answer to yours I have the satisfaction to tell you that I made the Gentlemen a compliment, since I was willing to refer to them altho I conceived they were interested for that I did not suppose that that would have influenced their integrity or Judgments so that you seem displeased without cause and am concerned that by mistakeing any thing from me you should for I intended no offence. If Mr Hyde and the Merchants In London or their Assignees here were to tyrannize over their real Debtors as you Endeavour to do over me your Imaginary one hard would be their fate but I hope there is Lenity Humanity and good manners in some mens minds, as for your

terms of Steward or Servant terrible looks Countenance noddle and woe threatned to my character and family I pass by as merely Chimericall and hope it is not nor will be in your power to hurt or destroy one or the other. If your intentions are (as some times you say) to act in a friendly manner, pray why this overbearing unmanerly treatment or do you imagin that I am to be blustered or Hectored into a compliance with every unjust claim you are pleased to make, I assure you not, but that I will with pleasure keep up if you will permit it an Equal friendship and answer every just demand of yours, I hope you will not manifest that your designs have rather been to pump sift and fish out the weakest and most unguarded part in order to make your Extraordinary demands than to close your accounts with me in a friendly manner, as soon as you desired it I laid my books and vouchers before you and gave you coppys of what accounts you desired to which now please to add your order to Mr Dulany for twenty five pounds Ster. and pray favour me with an account of what Claim or demands you have against me or objections to my account that I may consider of them and be able to give you my answer to them particularly If you are not pleased with the place and persons before appointed If you'l nominate any other I will wait on you when you please In hopes of that friendly accomodation you say you desire, and which I asure you is wished for by [me]

To Mr M. Macnemara

Annapolis April 5th 1747

Sir

I understand that you have Executed some Negros and Household Goods of Mr Stephen Higgins w^{ch} are mortgaged to Mr Charles Carroll and my self for a Debt and other considerations not yet complyd with.

I am in hopes you will release those things that thereby you

may prevent us and your self the Trouble of a Law suit which we would wilingly avoid . . .

To Mr Thomas Catten, London Town

April 10th 1747

Sir

I could not get Maynard who writes for me or had had your Acct^t given me Coppyd ere now, The Extraordinary charges therein you can not Expect me to pay knowing in your conscience they are not right nor the manner of accounting you dictate.

I will again Repeat that I am Ready to rectife any Errors in the accounts given you and Credit the same with the Balance made up of your Mother's Estate in the Comissaries office. If in those points we differ in opinion I am ready to refer it to Mess^{rs} Carroll & Thomas your own Appointment.

I can truely say that I wish a friendly accomodation with you at the Loss of some of my Property . . .

To Mr Michael Maccnemara

Maryland April 11th 1747

S^r

I Received yours dated the 12th of June last By Biggs with an Acct^t Current wherein you credit me some Bills Transmitted, and 1/5 of Ball^a due to the Baltimore C^o all am^s to £75.. 2.. 0 Interest ought to have been deducted for some of these sumes having been long in hand, but for small matters shall not complain, and hope you will not give me reason to complain for great.

Mr Tasker as agent for the Lord Baltimore threatens hard to sue me, and make no allowance for the loss I sustained in the Voyage of the Annapolis in 1742, nor for the wrong charge of the sume of £32.. 14.. 6 charged me Octo^r 13th 1743 Premio

on 500[£] you say Insured on Scougal, which Insureance I am certain you never made, nor had any Instructions from me to make, for the man was not In my service after the 13th day of July 1742 and John Satirwhite went out in the Vessell the Voyage after, and on an Insureance upon him you charge me Premio which I agree to haveing wrote you of October 23^d 1742 to make the same, and I am positive that after my'n to you dated Decem^{br} 25th 1741 to make 500[£] Insureance on Scougal I never directed any other on him and if you look back on my Acc^t you will see Vidz. May 1st 1742 To Paid Insureance 1000[£] Goods in the Annapolis two Voyages £57.. 19.. 0 and which Included the above and last I ever desired to be made on him.

Pray S^r send me your Instructions, or another Acc^t Current wit Credit for £32.. 14.. 6 the said Error, as also for the Dammage I sustained in the Voyage of Scougal in 1742 and concerning which I sent the Proofs you desired of the Costs of the Goods and Identity of the Voyage and which I am Certain you received by Allingham.

Let this thing be settled upon an honest footing, the Costs and Freight of Goods Shipped amounted to £420.. 19.. 5 S^{ter} and the Product thereof as by the Acc^t of Sales from M^rCarrington amounted to no more than £195.. 6.. 0 S^{ter} which makes the Loss to my Prejudice £245.. 13.. 5 S^{ter} occasioned by the Dammage and Loss sustained all which Dammage and Loss M^r Carrington In London offered to give you further Proof of if had been needfull.

I have honestly allowed, and Paid you all the charges of Insurances charged to me, and now a Loss happens you seem to hesitate in makeing restitution, do as you would be done unto. I am as fair a Creditor in this Case as any of those in whose mercy you leave me, and with whom I must Contend in law for my Right, a thing I abhor as I do all Litigation, therefore I hope you will Prevent any further trouble to me by sending me an Acc^t Current with Credit for such my Loss, and the Article of the Premio you wrongly Charge of £32..

14.. 6 and their Proportions of Interest from the times which they ought to be Credited.

I think S^r I need not urge you more your own Conscience and Honour will certainly dictate to you to do me Justice, Myself nor my Family can not bear so great a loss, and less now than heretofore haveing had very severe losses by fire, and by Enemies at Sea since the Commencement of this War, and I hope you will not be the cause of distressing us more since it is in your Power by doing an Act of Justice to Prevent it.

The Rate at which the least Dammaged corn sold at was 3/9 p^r Bushell, so that the 2219 Bushells would have amounted to £416.. 0.. 3 & as it sold amounted to only £222.. 5.. 2, so that by that article alone I loose £193.. 15.. 1 Exclusive of Loss on the other Parts of the Cargo, and it is certain that if no Damage had happened the Corn would have sold much higher. I rely on your Integrity in this case . . .

To M^r Samuel Hyde Inclosed ☿ Capt. Jer. Biggs in his own Letters ☿ Cap^{ts} Jackson Johns, and Morecraft from Putuxen 3 Copies

Maryland May 22^d 1747

Sir

Since I wrote the 11th of April last M^r Tasker Lord Baltimore Agent has sued me in the Chancery Court here for the Ballance w^{ch} you in your first Account make due to you. As I think that I am Justly and Honestly by the Strictest Rules of Common Justice Intitled to Satisfaction for the Loss I sustained on the Voyage Insured on Scougal and that from you and the Like Equity against Lord Baltimore your assignee as I would have had against your self both for that and Your wrong charge of £32.. 14.. 6 mentioned in my foregoing Letter I am determined to see the Issue thereof, for I am certain you never will Insist on, or prove that I ordered the Insurence for

w^{ch} you charge me the said sune, and sure I might Expect from you to sett these things Right and prevent my being distressed by so powerful an Antagonist as your Asignee Lord Baltimore is in his own Courts here, Unless you have put me into his hands on purpose to oppress me.

By your last account you make three hundred and ninety Pounds due to you from me you are sensible the loss I sustained in the Voyage on Scougal to Prevent litigation I make you this offer, if you will send me your further Account Cur^{nt} with Credit therein for that loss one hundred and fifty Pounds sterling as also the said wrong charge of £32.. 14.. 6 and Interest on them from 1742 for three years which will be about twenty Eight Pounds more I will Pay the Ballance to Lord Baltimore which may be about one hundred and Eighty Pounds tho in strict Justice I do not owe you that sune & he has enough assigned him to Pay what you owe besides.

I have said so much on this Head already to desire your doing me Common Justice and preventing the Expence of a Tedious suit to obtain it that I think it needless to say more than hope to find you the person I always took you to be a man of Honour and conscience that these are the Effect of Mistakes or Errors in Account and that you will set them Right . . .

To M^r Samuel Hyde Merchant in London

Maryland May 30th 1747

Sir

Inclosed is a Letter to M^r Samuel Hyde w^{ch} I Request you will peruse, seal and deliver him. If you can bring him to reason & prevail to do me Justice in the Points mentioned it will be of Service as it will prevent me the Trouble and Expence of sending a Commission from the Chancery here or procureing one there to Examin Evidences in Relation to them. I request you will give your self a little time in Endeavouring

to serve me herein and please to let me know the Result. Inclosed are the Undernoted Bills of Exch^a Am^t to £54.. 4.. 6 w^{ch} when paid place to the Credit of my Account & if protested Return £ the first oppertunity.

Of this date I have drawn on you at Sixty days sight to Capt. Samuel Wood for Twenty four pounds four shillings and to Joseph Belt Jun^r for Thirty Two pounds sixteen shillings & six pence in Lieu of my bills on Samuel Hyde payable to said Belt of the 11th of May 1745 for Twenty seven pounds Three shs. and nine pence and by said Hyde protested and w^{ch} I had wrote you to take up.

I desire you will pay these Bills to M^r Belt and Capt. Wood and charge them to my account . . .

Rich^d Hopkins on Joⁿ Hanburry £17.. 8.. 3

Rich^d Dallam on Ditto 15.. 16.. 3

Joⁿ Dorsey on Jon^a Forward 21.. 0.. 0

£54.. 4.. 6

To M^r William Black Merc^t In London p^r Cap^t Sam^l Wood,
Capt. Hargrove and Capt. Creagh in the Speedwell.

Maryland June 2^d 1747

Sir

Inclosed is Bill of Loading for Thirty five Ton of Baltimore Pigg Iron in the Ship Speedwell James Creagh Master in the Sale of w^{ch} hope for your best Endeavour for my Interest And the nett proceeds thereof place to the Credit of my Account . . .

To M^r W^m Black Merc^t In London

p^r Creagh

Maryland June 3rd 1747

Sir

Inclosed is Bill Loading for Thirty Ton Pigg Iron in the

Frances and Elisabeth, Anthony Beck Master in the sale of w^{ch} I desire you will act for the best for my Interest and the nett proceeds thereof carry to the Credit of my Acc^{tt}

To Mr W^m Black Merc^t In London p^r Capt. Beck.

Maryland June 13th 1747

Sir

Inclosed are Bills Loading Thirty five Ton Pigg Iron in the Speedwell James Creagh, Copy ☿ said Ship, and also Thirty Ton ☿ the Frances and Elisabeth, Anth^o Beck, Copys allso by him both w^{ch} hope will come Safe and turn out to advantage otherwise make no doubt of your haveing secured Insurance according to advice . . .

To Mr W^m Black Merc^t London p^r Capt. Bacon

Maryland Aug. 29th 1747

Sir

I Rec^d yours with goods Shiped in the Elisabeth John Ker to Putuxen which ship comeing with Convoy the Voyage I expect & desire you will credit my Acc^t with seven Guineas p^r Ct on £184 according to the tenar w^{ch} you say Insurence was made and noted on the Invoice of said Goods. I credit you in Acc^t with said goods and full Insurence amounting to £185.. 12.. 8 and Charge you Back with said Seven Guineas ☿ Ct and Comⁿ.

On the 20th Inst I drew a Sett Bills of Exchag^e on you Payable to Doct^r George Buchanan for twenty Pounds Ster^r at Sixty days Sight which I desire you will Pay an charge the same to my account.

You will ere now have heard that this Province have Passed a Law for Inspection of Tobacco as that of Virginia to take Place next Crop whether this will raise that Commodity with you, you best can tell, but this I am sure that it will be a

Chargeable and troublesome as well as an ill timed Experiment here. I wish it may answer us better than he Idea I have of it. It may serve as a South Sea Jobb with some.

I have expected a Ship of yours for which I keep Tobacco and Iron but as you observe these are Precarious times and I'm sure to Ship Tobacco at the high Freight now it can scarce answer wherefore I have kept my'n for some time in hopes of more moderate terms . . .

P. S. the same Credit is Expected on the Goods for the Company

To M^r W^m Black Merchant In London

Sent p^r George Johnson to New York to be put on Board the Scarborough man of War for England

Coppy by Capt. Schiseam in the Ship Allen. Copia via Bristol
 & Heytham

Maryland Sept. 2^d 1747

S^r

I desire you will make Insureance for my acct on the Ship Bridge-town James Barrett Master in South River in Maryland and hence to the port of London in Great Brittain till unlivered that in case of Loss of Ship or Goods I may draw one hundred Pounds Sterling and the Premio and Charges of such Insureance Place to my Account.

The said Ship comes here on account of M^r John Hanburry and as I shall Ship you Pigg Iron in her desire you will not fail herein . . .

To M^r W^m Black p^r Capt. Schisoam in the Ship Allen to London Copy via Bristol & Heytham

Sept. 16th & by the Ship Johnson via Liverpool to the care of M^r Sweeting at Oxford

Maryland Sep^t 5th 1747

Sir

Inclosed are the Undernoted Bills of Exchange amounting to £51.. 17.. 9 ster. w^{ch} when paid place to the Credit of my Acct^t and if protested return under protest by the first safe opportunity . . .

Jos Midlemore on Jos Addams	£ 6.. 17.. 9
Talbott Ristean on James Johnstone	25.. 0.. 0
Thomas Clayton on Thomas Clayton	
at the Custom House Bristol	20

£51.. 17.. 9

To Mr W^m Black Merc^t In London p^r Cap^t Schisoem in the Ship Allen of Scarborough
 2 Ⓕ Ship Capt. Heytham via Bristol & p^r Capt. Barrett in the Ship Bridge Town Octo^r 8th

Maryland Sep^r 6th 1747

Sir

Inclosed is the first Exch^a of Ralph Falkner on Thomas Birch in C^o with Alderman Arnold London for Twenty four pounds of fourteen sh^s & three pence Ster. w^{ch} when paid place to the Credit of my Acct^t and if protested return by the first good opportunity . . .

To M^r W^m Black Merc^t In London
 Ⓕ Cap^t Schisoam in the Allen & Cap^t. Heytham via Bristol
 & by Cap^t Barrett in the Bridge Town 8^{br} 8

Maryland Sep^r 16th 1747

Sir

I Rec^d yours Inclosing Depositions about the Insurence what Effect may have know not as yet It's odd that the pro-

test can not be found as I am charged with the Recording. I observe you charge me Commission for payment of my own money, this is an Article we are never charged with any where else and hope to have Credit for the same again, the Goods of Johnson in the Sloop Penelope were lost with that Vessel. I desire that by this Scooner the Hopewell you will send me a Barrell of Good Clear Muscovado Sugar and the same charge to my acc^{tt}.

Please let me have an Acc^{tt} Current by the same opportunity in w^{ch} the above Credit is Expected . . .

To M^r Coddington Carrington Merc^t Barbadoes of the Scooner Hopewell

UNPUBLISHED LETTERS.

LIEUT. JOSEPH S. NICHOLSON,¹ TO ANGELO TILYARD.

Transport Ship Atlas

near Vera Cruz

June 28, 1847

My Dear Friend

I have just written to Mother and cannot close this package without writing to you although I have not much to say. If you were of sick of the sea as I am you would never want to go to sea. I have been a month wanting 2 days on board of a dam dirty troop ship with the decks part of the time under water the rest of the time so hot that they burn you up. You have to remain below all day and let the fleas eat you when it rains and when it is clear drill on deck in the Sun which is as hot as Hell. At night the lower deck is so hot. Having 300 men forward and about 20 officers aft. the cabin of the

¹ 2d Lieut., U. S. M. C., 16 March, 1847; Brevet 1st Lieut., 13 Sept., 1847; resigned, 5 Sept., 1850.

ship which has but five staterooms is filled by the field and staff Officers. there is 3 field and 3 staff officers Our berths are of rough pine boards and our beds of straw. the ship is the only one a large size which could be chartered in New York and there was no time to fit her out better than she is we stopped off the port of Havana on the 17 of June and sent a boat in with four of our officers and four sailors into Havana to buy some segars fruit and other articles the boat went in without the leave of the Health officer of the port the officers were arrested and placed in confinement by the Governor General and the ship was ordered into port we would not go as they would have fined the ship a large amount. the Governor General finally agreed to let them off if they would pay \$200.00 each two of the officers paid the other two would not and are still in confinement or on Parole in Havana we waited two days and sailed without them they may join us in Mexico one is an Army the other a marine officer we could see the Moro Castle from where we laid it is a splendid work we will be at Vera Cruz in a few Hours. I will then finish this if it is as Hot in Mexico as it is Here you will never see me again as I will build an ice house and live in it and dam the service go and see Powers tell him that I bought some segars in Havana which cost four cents apiece there they would be worth gold in Baltimore they were so fine. If you were in a storm at sea would like to out of it I can tell you for it is Hell itself I will bring you a gold Crusifix from the Halls of the city of Mexico if I should get there if not a delegation will have to come from Baltimore for my bones as they have been too much good to Baltimore to be left in such a dam poor soil as the mexican.

Yours

J. S. Nicholson

U S M C

God knows when I shall finish this as we are only thirty miles from Vera Cruz and it is hot as Hell in cabin.

June 29 ———

We arrived in Vera Cruz this afternoon and went ashore after sunset this evening the town is a spanish built place the houses low and flat roofed the streets dirty and enough to give the fever to any one. I was much disappointed in the castle but it is a very strong place and it would stand a long seige in good hands as no vessel of large size can pass the reefs in front of it the people are a miserable set of devils black white and all other coulours The troops who are waiting to march are encamped outside the city they are about 2,000 strong most of them not regular troops but ten regiment ones we are to march with them. it is not safe to be in the City after night as they murder and rob you if they can get the least chance a man is not safe outside of the city as the rancheros are always about they have killed a dozen men lately the police of the city Co. Wilson commands. The yellow fever and vomito are about but not as bad as might be expected you would like to see the town very much as it has a very different look from an american one the shops are filled with american goods high in price the better class of the people have deserted the city but the lower class remain to steal and make money in a number of ways the Indians or half breeds are numerous very few speak english except those attached to the Quarter Masters department The worst part of the march is the first forty miles in the sickly sandy country the rancheros are so bold that they attack large bodies of troops within 20 miles of Vera Cruz so that we are obliged to march in large numbers—1500 Government Horses and mules broke out of their pen near the city and were not caught at the time that I write this it has been ten days since they have gone and it is thought that the Mexicans have taken them it is a great loss to the army we are allowed but 15 pounds of baggage and some take but ten as we are not sure that we will not have to carry it ourselves the city is built on the coast and have sand hill all around us I wish we were away as what we get to eat does not make up for the Heat although

we are a mile from the city outside the castle in our good ship ——— we will not see much of the city as we do not go ashore until after the troops disembark I do not know when we shall march and shall close this before we do but you can find out all about it as I shall write to mother the last thing that I do I have tried to give you a good idea of my way of living but you have no idea of a spanish town and its Inhabitants and the stores and churches which are about the Handsomest things about it. The castle is very different from our forts it is as strongly fortified as ours but does not strike the eye, the streets of the city are paved with stone and there are a great many arches in all public buildings— There are several men of war in port the officers visit us often our men are in fine order sure compare with any of the army troops It is now past twelve oclock so hot that I cannot sleep but I will try and find you some news by tomorrow night if you see Garnet show him this as I shall not be able to write to him or Duckett this is the only letter that you will receive from me. I will try and pick you up some mexican Trophy if I ever live to get back but this war will be a long bloody one as the Spaniards never will give up as long as they can harrass our army with small parties. I can speak a little spanish already the ship Susan Howell has arrived from Baltimore with troops You will not be able to find the direction of this letter as I will have enough to fill it if I have time I am true to my word to let you know every thing.

June 30

We will debark today this will leave tomorrow I can learn no farther news from Mexico city we march as soon as we can get off remember me to all excuse this. Lieut Porter of the army arrived last night and died in 3 hours. Commodore Perry has taken Tobasco lost only 3 men his ship has just come in sight. an express is expected from the city of Mexico every Hour.

To Angelo Tilyard Esq.
Baltimore Md.

PORT TOBACCO PARISH.

LIST OF MINISTERS FROM 1692.

“Port Tobacco Parish is regarded as one of the earliest homes of the Church in Maryland; a Church at the head of Port Tobacco Creek is spoken of previous to 1684.”

The Revd. Mr. Moore was Minister in 1692, in which year he died.

- 1694 Revd. George Tubman; died 1701.
 - 1702 Revd. Gabriel D'Emilhane; removed 1703 to Calvert County.
 - 1705 Revd. John Frazer; removed 1710 to Prince George County.
 - 1710 Revd. Edward Butler; transferred 1711 to Annapolis.
 - 1711 Revd. William McConchie; died 1742. Tenure 31 years.
 - 1742 Revd. Samuel Chase; died, or removed to England, 1742.
 - 1743 Revd. Henry Ogle; died, or returned to England, 1750.
 - 1750 Revd. Theophilus Swift; died 1762.
 - 1762 Revd. Thomas Thornton; removed to Virginia, 1777.
 - 1779 Revd. Arthur Hamilton (?); died 1780.
 - 1781 Revd. Joseph Messenger; removed, 1781, to St. John's, Prince George County.
 - 1781 Revd. George H. Wooseley; died (?) 1785.
 - 1787 Revd. John Weems; died 1821. Tenure 34 years.
 - 1822 Revd. Lemuel Wilmer; died 1869. Tenure 47 years.
 - 1869 Revd. Meyer Lewin; removed to Upper Marlboro, 1878.
- The Reverend Messrs. William McConchie, John Weems, and Lemuel Wilmer served the parish as Rectors for 112 years.

QUERY.

Addams—Crew—Long.

Thomas Adams given 1000 A in Maryland in 1640 for bringing 5 servants into the province since 1635.

Thomas Adams (Capt.) of the ship *Diana*, given permission to trade with the Swedes of Delaware Bay, 1653; purchased a plantation in Maryland at that time.

Thomas Adams, Burgess for Isle of Kent for Gen. Assembly at St. Mary's 1640.

Thomas Adams died in Kent Co. 6 Feb., 1641.

Thomas Adams, will 1655, York Co., Va. "To my mate, Thomas Penkethman, all my lands, etc."

Thomas Adams and John Johnson owned a vessel "riding in the Potomack River," 1651, one or both being residents of Virginia.

"Thomas Adams, one of our cousins on the Isle of Kent, gent, hath proposed acceptable service within said Island"—1640.

Thomas Adams of the Isle of Kent in the Province of Maryland, gentleman, about 29 years old, born in the Parish of Bodenham of the Shire of Hereford, testifies" . . . Apparently had been assisting Capt. Wm. Claybourn 1635-36.

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Is anything further known about the Thomas Adams line of Maryland. Some of the above items may refer to the same person, but probably two or more individuals are meant. Could one of them have been the father of:

Philip Adams m. 1670 at Marumsc, Md. Anne Crewe. Their oldest son was Thomas, b. 1673 and m. Anne Long, dau. of Samuel and Jane Mitchell-Long.

Information about ancestors and descendants of these Adamses, the Crewes, Longs and Mitchells wanted.

1837 Greenleaf Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

K. K. ADAMS.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

February 14, 1927.—The regular meeting of the Society was held to-night at its rooms with the President in the chair.

The order of business was reversed in order that Dr. J. Hall Pleasants the speaker of the evening could leave early on account of another engagement.

Dr. Pleasants gave a most interesting and delightful talk concerning the history and restoration of seven portraits of certain members of the Calvert family, lately discovered in Italy and later purchased by General Lawrason Riggs.

At the conclusion of Dr. Pleasants' talk, Mr. John L. Sanford made the following motion which was duly seconded and unanimously carried:

"That: the thanks of the Society be extended to Dr. J. Hall Pleasants for his most interesting talk on the history of the portraits of certain members of the Calvert family; and to General Lawrason Riggs for his courtesy in lending the portraits to the Society to be exhibited in its Gallery.

The business of the Society was then brought before the meeting and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A list of donations to the Library and Gallery was read.

Mr. Lawrence J. Morris was nominated for Life Membership by J. Appleton Wilson.

The following persons, previously nominated, were elected to Active Membership:

Miss Mary B. Pitts	John Gilman D'Arcy Paul
Mrs. Marvin R. Shipley	Larkin A. Shipley
Miss Virginia de Goey	Charles E. McCormick

The following death was reported from among our members:

Hammond J. Dugan, January 27, 1927

Mrs. Arthur B. Bibbins was then recognized by the chair and spoke of the movement on foot to purchase and equip the "Flag House" at Pratt and Albemarle Streets. The following resolution was introduced and unanimously carried:

Whereas, steps are being taken to make Fort McHenry a National Shrine; and

Whereas, one of the principle reasons for such action is the circumstance that the American National Anthem "The Star Spangled Banner" was inspired by the sight of the great post flag which the valor of the Defenders of Fort McHenry kept flying throughout the conflict, and

Whereas, the so-called "Flag House" at the N. W. corner of Pratt and Albemarle Streets, where this national emblem was made by Mrs. Mary Young Pickersgill is now purchasable at a moderate figure as a patriotic shrine, and

Whereas, the late lamented Secretary Walcott of the Smithsonian regarded this flag as "the most valuable relic of the National Museum," and caused it to be restored, and properly displayed at very considerable expense—

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Maryland Historical Society heartily approve of the effort now under way to acquire this property, and to arrange for its permanent preservation and exhibition.

The following members were appointed to serve as representatives of the Society, on the Committee to receive donations: George L. Radcliffe, Richard M. Duvall and John L. Sanford.
